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INDIAN SIGN TALK.

BEING A BOOK OF PROOFS

OF THE

MATTER PRINTED ON EQUIVALENT CARDS

DESIGNED FOR TEACHING

SIGN TALKION INDIANS
AS MUCH ENGLISH AS CAN BE

EXPLAINED

THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF THEIR

ALMOST

UNIVERSIAL GESTURE LANGUAGE

BY

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TO HUMANITARIANS
OF EVERY NAME,
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PREF.4CE.

The present seems a fitting opportunity to prepare a brief resume of the history of this idea of printing the gestures of the Indians' Sign Language in such order that Indians who know the signs might become readers of signs, and in the hope, if readers, the signs could be utilized as a means of educating the adult class in any watter that could be explained in their sign language.

Having lived nearly all my life in contact with Indians. I have noticed their habit of gesturing in their communications between themselves, and when talking to whites; but it did not occur to me that their gestures meant any more than those of some white men who throw their arms about like the sails of a crazy old wind mill without thought of method, or of conveying any idea whatever.

But, when the Smithsonian Institution asked collectors of Indian matters to take notice of signs and make it a part of their work, I began to believe there might be something in it, and when in 1880 the Bureau of Ethnology issued its roluminous report on this, and other matters, I became fully interested and determined to drop the collection of Indian words and devote myself to the investigation of the gestures called Sign Talk.

Skipping the years of difficulty incident to many new inrestigations, I came to the point where I saw I must abandon the rules laid down for guidance in representing signs as being needlessly burdensome, and another plan occurring to my mind which promised better results, I adopted the idea generally observed in this work.

All Indian gestures have some essential position, and my effort has been to learn that position and to make a diagram of it, showing movement by a dotted line to or from that essential position. I also usually represented the position as seen while making the signs with my own hands,

The result was a diagram so plain, that the Indian himself could read it as soon as he learned the use of the dotted line showing the movement.

When I realized that, I redoubled my efforts, believing they could be utilized as a means of enlightenment to all sign talking tribes, especially to such as had passed school age. How well my part of this work has been dane, I leave for interested parties to decide. I could fill several pages with interesting matter concerning the struggle from this point of conceiving of the idea and its accomplishment; the years of privation before receiving any assistance from others, but I forbear.

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After having engraced the first crude diagrams of the gestures while yet among the Indians, printing nineteen copies of 684 cuts each with a paper knife, (writing their equivalents with a pen), I saw they were entirely too large and too poorly executed to become practical, or acceptable

Therefore, I determined to try to find friends who could furnish the means while I could do better work. Then it was that I went to Fort Smith, Ark.

This was the beginning of the interest shown by Rev. George F. Degen, and his wife, Mrs. Edith M. Degen.

They advanced the money to purchase blank types, on which I engraved nearly 4000 diagrams, which are known as the BLACK TYPE. These were the first practical font, enough to print the "Sermon on the Mount" at one impression. The above parties also made a way for me to pay expenses while at work on this second set of wooden types.

When the black type was ready, two ladies (who are still my principal helpers) advanced money for type, and printing, with which I had quite a quantity of printed matter prepared.

But my friends were not pleased with the general appearance of black prints.

Then I had some pieces printed by photo process, and the consequence was, that both whites and Indians preferred the ordinary style of diagrams, and the black prints were never well received. Seeing this, and knowing the reason, my friends proposed to furnish the means if I would prepare a more acceptable font. This is now accomplished as shown in this work. See appendix, also Little Starin same.

The diagrams in the first part of this work are designed for a Dictionary, also for printing several hundred cards for use in teaching Indians the equivalents of their gestures, and the matter printed on the eards is herein preserved in book form. These are simply books of proofs, and only 75 copies are saved. They are not for sale, being reserved for such as have been, or may become interested in the development of the sign language, or in sustaining the author while he is inaugurating the work of utilizing the sign language as a means of educating the older people by its introduction among them.

WHO INVENTED SIGN TALK?

Some have supposed gesture language was the invention of some one, and as I have been the author of the diagrams of their gestures, some have supposed I was an inventor.

Nothing could be wider from the truth



Without doubt, Gesture Language is older than intelligent speech, and exists to some extent, among all nations. Certainly, it is needless for me to call attention to such signs as, shaking the head for NO, bowing it for ASSENT, beekoning for COME, and perhaps a hundred others just as universally known.

But as we are dealing with the Indians' gesture language, it becomes interesting to study its origin.

Others have dwelt on this point, and as they have not satisfied themselves even, I certainly shall not toy.

Judging from several signs still in use, it is evident that signs have come down from the remote past, while certain signs have been modified, or adopted from recent inventions, customs, and circumstances, and, as it is impracticable to enter into extensive speculations concerning the origin of Indian gestures, I offer my idea for what it is worth.

Certain it is that Indians had some means of conveying intelligence by signs and signals, when first discovered by whites. And also on the monuments of ruined cities in Central America, are figures making signs, while some of the characters of their undeciphered writing appear to have been a conventional representation of gestures.

My idea is that the Indian Sign Language is of a natural growth; a creation of necessity. When we recognize the hundreds of their distinct languages, to say nothing of the numerous dialects of each, we must perceive that no one Indian tongue could be very widespread; that one could not travel continuously and meet people of the same speech.

And the circumstances of the Western plains and mountain Indians who followed Buffalo from one feeding ground to another over vast regions of country would tend to bring different tribes into the same locality, and as they could not understand each other's words, it is but natural to suppose that some means of communication would grow to become intelligible.

And, as pantomine was natural, gestures became established, and in time conventional, and if long continued, and widely diffused, of course, universal.

I believe some such a growth was accomplished, at least in the experience of our present Indians, and that it has been sufficient for their need.

It may not be as extended now as formerly, but as it now exists, we are able to express almost any idea Indians can comprehend.

At page 193 begins a resume of signs by letter and number, and lines between, showing the length they occupy on the line. These are points useful to translators, enabling a complete understanding between translator and printer. The numbers correspond with those on the larger diagrams used in the Vocabulary.



The idea being for the translator to give number with name, so in ease the printer is entirely ignorant of signs, he can set the work up by number alone.

Following these are proofs of Scriptur eards, translated and arranged by one of my helpers under my instruction, which, I think, ought to convince any interested person of the utility of signs for religious instruction.

In the work of Capt. W P C ark, he says:

"Could this work have been illustrated it would have added greatly to the facility of understanding and making the gesture, for it is very difficult to describe the most simple movements of the hands in space so that a person who had never seen the movements would, by following the descriptions, make the correct motions"

Capt. Clark is right, no person who is not of the most persevering disposition learns from written descriptions, or that does not have to unlearn a great deal before he can understand the skillful gestuver.

I regard this quite as difficult as it would be to learn perspective drawing without illustrations

Believing this, I have seen fit to depend almost wholly upon illustrations, and, poor as they are, they are easily understood, making complete and tedious descriptions as undesirable as unnecessary.

The syntax of Sign Language is naturally supposed to follow that of Indians' Spoken Language. But the real genius of gesture language is grace, and ease, in gesturing. And it so happens that this usually follows Indian syntax. We say of a thing, "It is not good," but Indians would say, "It is good not," The Indian syntax gives an easy and graceful movement, while ours would be awkirard. And this is true in most instances. But in any case where ease, and grace, are not violated, I usually try to introduce our own order.

Capt. Ctark also gives gramatical rules, in which he says:

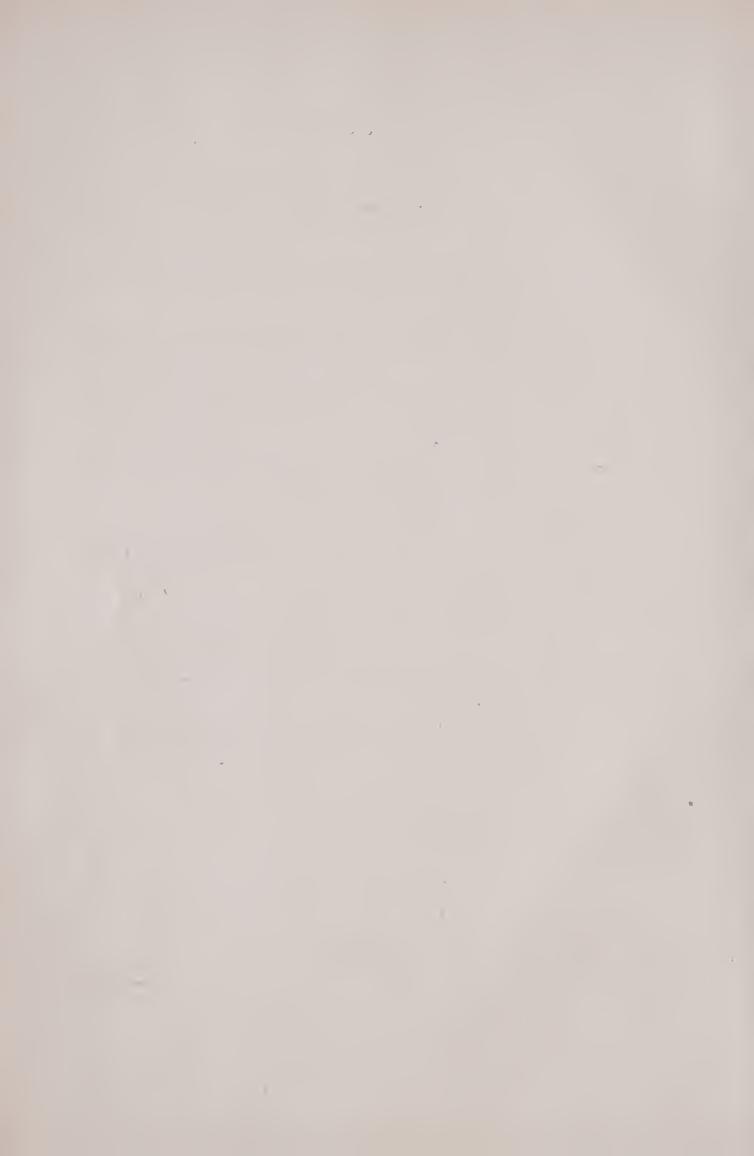
" "Articles, conjugations, and propositions, are omitted, and that adjectives follow nouns; that verbs are used in the present tense; that nouns and verbs in the singular number, the idea of plurality being expressed in some other way."

All of which I quote upon his authority. But in the matter of actual result articles are often particularly pointed out, while propositions are as plainly indicated. See "Arrived there, went to that place." The proposition is plainly visible. "Came to a place" is equally plain.

There are many other features which tend to show that our knowledge of

gesture language is very limited.

In fact, there has not, until now, been any easy mothod of preserving records of quickly vanishing gestures (I have for my own use an exceeding simple short hand mothed of drawing signs as small as ordinary writing letters, but not sufficiently perfected for publication).



PECULIAR.

There are some modes of expression that will puzzle some unless they have had some experience in connection with Indians. These are of some importance

For instance, "Are you hungry?" Indians say, "May be so you hungry. May be so you hungry, I give you food."

In the above, the first may be so means ARE the second answers to IF.

Take the word, when. Sometimes we can express it by DAY. As, day you you come, I pay you.

But the sentence, "When you pray," etc., is better expressed by "May be so you pray."

You know not, whether good, or whether bad, would be expressed thus: MAY BE SO GOOD, MAY BE SO BAD. YOU KNOW NOT.

ON THE FIRST PERSON.

To indicate yourself is seldom necessary. For instance:

To say, I want, simply jesture WANT. Who wants? Why! The person who says, WANT.

But, when we say, "He wants," we gesture HE, then WANT. Or, you want, first gesture YOU, then WANT.

For I am hungry, simply gesture HUNGRY. I am thirsty, simply gesture WATER I lir with K owns, gesture WITH, and KIOWA. But when you speak of the second, or third person, always sign YOU, HE, or point them out in some way

Another peculiar idea is this: Suppose you have taken pains to locate two cities, one North, called CHICAGO, one South, earled NEW ORLEANS, it is only necessary to toss one thumb towards Chicago, and the other towards. New Orleans, in all subsequent references to either of those places.

The same peculiarity applies to persons. One may be called JONES, and the other SMITH. After they have been located, one thumb may refer to JONES, and the other to SMITH.

POSSESSION.

 $A \ few \ words \ are \ offered \ to \ wake \ the \ possessive \ pronouns \ plain:$

In the sign for MINE, the fist is clutched like grasping the air in front of the body, and then drawing it close to the breast. This is a perfectly natural gesture. Children often eluteh an article, as a doll, for instances, drawing it close, and sometimes turning aside to the left as it protecting their property.

The primary conception of "MINE," is "IT BELONGS TO ME," Hence, the abstract idea is possession. (See MINE).

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The other possessive pronouns are but variations of this primary conception. For instance, His, first sign MINE; then the fist is thrown back-handed in the same direction as the hand is wared for NOT. This says, MINE NOT. For Yours, the fist first says MINE, or possession: then fist is thrust to the right oblique in the direction of YOU, meaning, "it belongs to you," or yours.

These examples will suffice to show that while Gesture Lauguage seems to us necessarily limited; yet, for att that, there is always some way to express ideas, and though they may at first seem exceedingly strange, yet, when we once accept such ways as allowable, if not quite as perfect as we might desire, we soon become reconciled to them, and their singularities are forgotten.

FUTURE OF SIGN TALK.

Every language becomes more enriched, improved, and methodical, by being written. As sign gestures, which now require some skill to draw well, may be reduced to a coure tional method of representation easily written much upon the same principles as were some of the present letters of our alphabet. Notably, L. from the conventional drawing of a Lion, etc.

It is impossible to foresee the possible which might arise. If Indians should take especial interest in reading by signs, the language will grow; otherwise, it will only serve as "stepping slones" to carry them over the stream that pre-

vents their closer intercourse with their white neighbors.

ON THE MANNER OF GESTURING.

In the work of Capt. Clark, alluded to, under the head of Sign Talk, he says:

"The gestures, the motion of the hands I have described, only faintly outline the force of expression they are capable of."

The human countenance speaks in the most exquisite shades of significance. (Here he quotes): "The soft silent wooings of love, the frantic fury of hate, the dancing deliriums of joy, the hungry cravings of desire, the settled melancholy of dead hopes." All these emotions are vividly pictured.

"The blanched check and sculking figure may at time express a wonderful amount of fear and cowardies, while a noble bearing, flashing eye, and determined expression of face, may exhibit adauntless courage. A haughty, cold and cruel manner, may conrey more scorn, contempt and hatred than could be expressed in words; while a glance, a smile, a tender pressure of the hand, may conrey a whole world of sympathy and love."

"The gestures I have said, aukwardly outline the pieture; the coloring, and beauty, and force of expression, must be filled in by the manner of making the signs.

The work from which I quote the above is full of interesting matter suggested by his investigations, and together with the diagrams published in this volume and on the eards, are the most reliable authorities on this interesting subject.

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WHAT HAS BEEN DONE THIS LAST YEAR.

As this work is intended only for interested friends of the effort to utilize sign talk for civilizing and Christianizing the sign talking tribes, a short sketch of the last year's work seems quite in order.

When Mrs. Gea. F. Degen, the Treasurer of the Sign Print Funds, and the Secretary, so faithful for many years, was, last spring, obliged, by change of residence from Arkansas to South Carolina, and because of a lingering illness, to pause for a time in her efforts for this work, two ladies, who had already been liberal contributors to the work, proposed to take the lead in the next step towards completing it, trusting that others would still continue their aid.

Mrs. Degen, the Treasurer, turned over to them the balance of sign print funds in her hands, (\$58.50, with \$26 additional sent later). The remainder of the expense of bringing the work to its present substantial basis has been met by these ladies who have more than fulfilled their pledge, draining their resources for the present

With the funds so promptly furnished, I have been enabled to secure the closest possible figures on the different departments of the skilled labor, or etchings, electrotypes, etc. I have gotten out 100,000 equivalents cards for use in teaching the equivalent words of the Indians' comprehensive gestures.

These ladies have also gotten out about 27,000 Scriptural cards, printed in signs with interlinear English equivalents. This set, or sets, of cards, are to follow immediately after the Indians get the idea of the dotted lines showing the movements in g store diagrams. (Sometimes this is seen without teaching, but in some cases, an hour is required).

Besides the cards, I have the electrotypes of both sizes, many thousand pieces, while the original zinc etchings are stored in safety vaults as security against any mishaps to the warking fonts, from which were printed the diagrams in the Vocabulary.

Also, as catering to the tastes of the Indians, (who have their likes and dislikes as well as whites), was expended a considerable sum for the English types used on the cards, which, together with a little proof press, and other facilities, were needed, because of the work being so out of the ordinary that I had to do a great share of it myself. One of these ladies assisted on the small cards, and set nearly all of the Scripture eards alone with instruction from myself as to sign idion. We were very fortunate in obtaining a careful compositor; his wages were over one hundred dollars, and, all in all, these two ladies (who prefer to keep the left hand ignorant of what the right hand does) have furnished over a thousand dollars in money, besides valuable time, while I have worked uneeasingly until success has been achieved.

While, on this part of my report, I feel free to mention S. W. Fallis, wood engineer, known for the last thirty years under the firm of Baker & Co. He has been a constant helper from the beginning, furnishing the tools for both of

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the efforts to make wood cuts of sign diagrams; besides, giving me practical instructions by mail, (which, alone, must have cost considerable time); also, made several plates, and even a picture of the author, which will face the

title of this work.

This O-ge-mah Ne-je (Friendly Chief) made room for all our help, and furnished facilities for over six months' rent free. This, alone was worth at least fifty dollars to us: besides, being permanently located in Chicago, he has kindly consented to receive and forward to me any matters consigned to care of Baker & Co., 182 South Clark street, Room 23, Chicago, Ill., U.S. A.

Two others have contributed, in addition to funds, we doltar each towards the paper used; but, aside from this, the ladies have born the burden alone,

In view of the above statement. I think these ladies should be relieved from further obligations, freling thus, I trust all who receive this work will now feel like "bearing a hand" I have enough of printed matter for circulation while I inaugurate the work among the wild tribes. But, as yet, no provision has been made for my living expenses, These will consume not far from a dollar a day, or, I shall most likely suffer much discomfort. Nevertheless, I go, and trust the Great Spirit will move the "spirit that is in man" to look after me.

I expect to take all of my small sign types, common types, press, and

printing facilities with me to use as occasion may require.

THE NEXT STEP.

Some talk has been made about a Dictionary of the Indian Sign Language. While this is desirable, it is best to wait until the present diagrams have been sufficiently criticised by the Indians who are the only real judges.

On this account it was not thought worth while to electrotype these pages.

But rather to wear out one type outfit on this edition, trusting that in the circulation and use of these cards, all necessary corrections would be suggested and a Dictionary more in keeping with the dignity of the term be attainable.

In looking over this preface I noticed proposition where preposition is in-

tended. Also, several misspelled words and typographical errors.

It will not be necessary to notice these, as the whole work is only a preliminary to the Dictionary.

My friends are hereby infarmed that the foundation for this is secured, so

far as the sign type is concerned.

A complete set of Dictionary sign types will remain in Chicago, and to make matters doubly serve, the originals of both large and small sign types are stored in safety vaults at considerable expense.

I shall probably have the opportunity to review all doubtful matters, and

hope to secure additional signs and better methods of expression.

To my helpers, past, present, and future, I return my sincere thanks.

I am sorry I cannot bind this volume for want of means; but, bear in mind that this is a rare work, and when all the copies are in the hands of the parties entitled, they will most likely be considered worthy of more expensive binding than if I were to have it done now

As this is the last I can print, I can only say that I am gaing out with these cards, and for the last time: that is, that I hope I have enough to go around, and remain long enough to accomplish all I have prepared myself

to establish.

Thus, I hope, as heretofore, "to show my faith by my works"

Lewis F Wadley.



TO FELLOW-CHRISTIANS AND PHILANTHROPISTS.

In asking your co-operation in this effort to help the hard pressed, neglected wild adult Indians, we the undersigned desire gratefully to acknowledge special provision, as we believe by a Dirine Providence, which has enabled us to carry the financial burden of this work as stated elsewhere. May His Spirit prepare the hearts and minds of the Indians for whom this work is done to receive the Gospel Truths which their gesture language can convey so clearly to their comprehension. May His Good Providence speedily open up the way for the final practical step in Mr. Hadley's mission, providing him with adequate support, so that he can give time and strength fully to the work of personally introducing this practical method of teaching necessary English to these hitherto intractable Indians.

Now that we feel unable to do more for the present, while still feeling the deepest interest in this work and its success, we trust that Christians and Philanthropists, especially those who have heretofore shown practical interest in it, or promised to aid it, will rally to his support, while with the facilities now provided, he enters upon his chosen field of labor, opening up the way for this class Indians to a true Christian civilization and citizenship.

Being personally acquainted with Mr. Hadley during our business transactions with him, we commend him as worthy of support and confidence, and as a practical, intelligent and faithful worker.

His absorbing desire to help the Indians, peacefully and wisely, to meet the hard crisis now upon them, and his long experience among them, fits him especially for the work. His wide acquaintance and friendly relations with them, insures him acceptance and success.

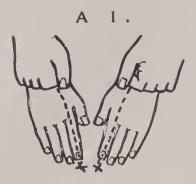
The whole outfit for which we have paid, we hereby donate to Mr. Hadley and the work. We will answer with pleasure any inquiries concerning Mr. Hadley, etc.

Signed.

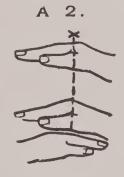
LAKE FOREST, Ill.,



Gestures.



Directions. Both fists at breasts, thrust them obliquely downward letting the hands fly open at the end of the movement.



Both hands backs up in front of body, the right resting on the left.

Then raise the right more or less above the left.

А 3.



Hold the back of the left fist in front of the body, back up. Then thrust the r,(right) index across the l, (left) fist in various directions.

Equivalents.

A · 1.

ABANDON-ED,

DEPOSE - D.

DIVORCE - D.

DISCHARGE - D.

This is the sign for Bad, intensified by being made with both hands. See Card 1 7.

A, .2

ABOVE'

UP' HIGH, More, or less

The lower hand representing the lower object, or place.

, A, 3,

ACHE-ING.

IT PAINS.

THROBBING.

IT HURTS,

Any severe, or darting pain is located by thrusting the index over the part affected.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 4.

ACCOMPANY-ING.
TRAVELING TOGETHER.

Auy two things being earied on together.

Extend both index fingers in front (of the body) one a little in rear of the other, and thrust both forward simultanionsly.



When the person is near. Hold r, h. toward the party and rock the wrist. See 6. & 7,

A. 5.

ACCOST. '
TO QUESTION.

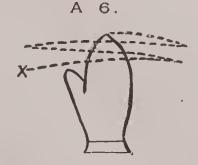
This may mean: Who are you?
What tribe do you belong to?
What are you doing?
Where are you going?

Or other inquiries, depending much upon circumstances at the time. One is often obliged to think well before answering this sign.

A.6.

TO ACCOST.

TO QUESTION.



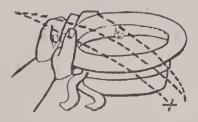
When the party is at some distance, hold the rh well np, palm out, and wave it r, and left, several times.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A 7,



When the party is very distant, swing your hat, or wave a blanket.

A. 7,

TO ACCOST.

TO HAIL,

TO ATTRACT ATTEN-TION,

A 8 .



Hold the l, h, in view, then begining with the little finger turn down two or more fingers, looking intently at the party addresed.

A, 8.

ACCOUNT-ING.

COUNT-ING,

HOW MUCH?

HOW MANY? &C.

A 9.



Left hand lack up. Right hand thumb up, thrust it over across the back of the l, h and a little below. See O 17. A. 9,

ACROSS,

TO GO ACROSS.

As acrost the country, prairie, etc.

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Gestures.

Equiralents.

A 10.

A. 10.



Make as if takeing things from one place, and putting them in another.

TO ADD, BY PILING.
OR, COUNTING.

A 11.



Hold the l, h, in front, (of body of course,) and begining at the wrist, pass the r, i, acrost the back of the l, h, beyond the ends of the

A. 11.

AHEAD.

BEYOND.

ADVANCE.

GO AHEAD,

This Gesture is also, used in the sence of, More than, Ahead of, etc.

A 12.

fingers. See A 20.



Hold the right hand in front, then, begining at the wrist, move the right index over the back of the left hand, and beyond: opening the middle finger, and thrusting both in various directions.

A. 12.

ADVANCE GUARD,

A SCCUT.

One who goes ahead and looks aroud.

For spy: add co sceal. Sec C 35



Gestures.

A 13.



Hands palms facing each other, in front of head, more them up and down, advancing them outward.

Equivalents.

A. 13.

ADVANCE-ING.

As soldiers: their guns describing similar curves.

A 14.



Put thumbs and indexes together, as theun cleve, and move them forward together.

A. 14.

ADVANCE TEPEES,
TO MOVE CAMP.

A 15,



Extend the left index in front of breasts, then place the end of right at root of nail and draw it to vard the wrist about an inch.

A. 15,

AFTER-WARDS, IN A LITTLE TIME. SOON, OR, PRETTY SOON. PRESENTLY, IN A MINUTE. \mathcal{G}^{c} , \mathcal{G}^{c} .

Always refers to the near future.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A 16.



This is gestured like No, 15. the right index being drawn farther back.

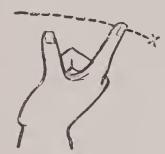
A. 16.

A LONG TIME AFTER.

For a very long time after, draw the right index past the shoulder, thrusting the left well out, separting them as far as possible.

Refering to the remote future.

A 17,



Wide spread thumb and index, criried high above the head, then moved to the right.

A. 17.

AFTERNOON.

The Sun, P. M.

A 18,



Throw up both spread hands and shrink backward, as if startled by lightning. A. 18.

AFRAID.

FEAR-FUL.

FRIGHT-EN-ED.

SCARE-D.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A 19.



Hold the left arm in front, then touch it in seneral places from the wrist toward the elbow. A. 19

AGAIN AND AGAIN.

REPEAT-ED-LY,

OFTEN.

FREQUENT-LY,

A 20



Hold the left hand back up in front of breast, then thrust the right index from wrist aeross, passing it beyond the end of fingers of the left hand. See A. 11. A. 20.

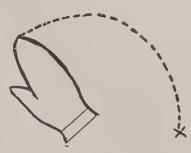
AHEAD.

BEYOND.

MORE THAN,

As indian says. This horse is ahead fat. (Fatest.)

A. 21.



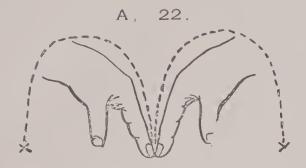
Right hand back up in front of the right breast. Thence upward outward and downward; describing the fourth of a circle. A. 21.

ALL

THE WHOLE .



Gestures.



Both index fingers side by side point downward to the feet. Then raise them up out and downward; describing semicircles in opposite directions.

A, 23,



Strike backs of hands into the palms alternately, two or three times.

A, 24.



Left hand palm up in front.
Then place the ball of right hand into the palm of the left near the wrist, then quickly brush the right across the left hand.

Equivalents.

A, 22.

ALL THE EARTH.

A. 23.

ALL GONE,

GOT NONE,

The hands are empty.

A. 24.

ALL GONE.

ETERMINATED.

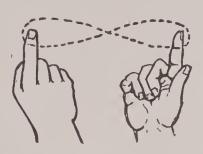
WIPED OUT.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 25.

A. 25.



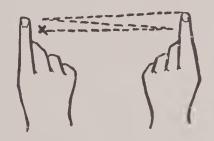
ALIVE

WELL

Raise the right index to front of face, then with it describe a horizontal figure \mathfrak{D} in front.

A man moving about.

A. 26.



A. 26.

ALONE

SOLITUDE

Raise right index with back of hand toward the face, then move it from left to right, and from right to left a few times.

Whichever place he goes he is by himself.

A. 27.



A. 27.

ALWAYS

FOREVER

ETERNALLY

With the palm of right hand near the right ear, thed move it backward and forward three or four times.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 28,

A, 29.

A . 28.



Hold the clinched fist in font of forehead and twist, the wrist assuming a threatening facial expression.

WRATHY

ANGRY

GETTING MAD.

A. 29.



Hold the loosly flexed fingers of the left hand apright in front of face, then pass the right index upward among them. AMONG

As among other things. See W. 24.

A. 30,



Hold the palm of the right hand against the right breast, then carry leftward and outward to arms length, and opposit the left breast.

А. 30.

ANOTHER,

Refers to person, place, or thing.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 31.





APACHE.

POVERTY.

POOR IN POSSESSION.

Extend the left forefinger in front and with the right make several strokes from root of nail to ball of thumb at wrist, back and forth a few times.

Appaches are considered poor by other Indians from the fact of their being in poorer circumstances than the plain Indians.

A. 32

A, 32

APPLE.

POTATO.



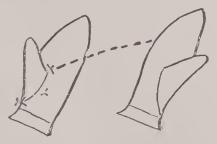
Any vegetable or fruit. Can add sweet. sour, bitter, good, bad, small or big, &c, for a closer description.

Gather all of fingers of the left hand in bunch and grasp them with the right hand.

A. 33,

A. 33,

ARRANGE.



To fix any matter, or mend something. See R, 15.

Hold the left hand palm up in front, then strike the lower edge of the open right hand against the wrist at base of thumb, and again on back of base of thumb, and again between thumb and fore-finger.

.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 34.

A, 34.



ARRAPAHOE.

Place the right index by the side of the nose.

Some say this means a big nose, some snut nose. I do not know for certain.

A. 35.

A. 35.



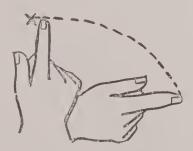
ARREST-ED,

A PRISONER.

Hold the left fist in front of the face and grasp the left wrist with the left hand, shake it a little.

A, 36.

A, 36.



ARISE.

GET UP.

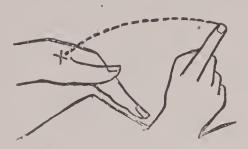
Hold the right index horizontally out to right, then bring it to an upright position at about half arms length. To arrive from a recumbent position.



Gestures.

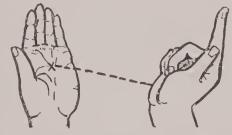
Equivalents.

A. 37.



Hold the palm of the left hand on the left breast, then bring the end of the right index from a distance of arm length until it touches the back of the left hand.

A. 38.



Hold the open left hand well out in front of the left breast.

Extend the right index and thrust the ball of the right hand into the palm of the left rather forcibly.

> A. 39.



Hold the open left hand palm

before the face.

Then extend the right indez as man and shove it upward between the face and left hand until the end would come in view of a person looking towards the gesturer. A. 37.

ARRIVED HERE.

CAME-TO-THIS-PLACE.

Arrived here. Came to this place. This is more intensified than come. See C. 22.

> 38. Α.

ARRIVE-D THERE. WENT TO THAT PLACE.

In this as in A.37 the right index represents a person.

A 39.

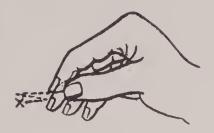
ARRIVE IN VIEW. TO COME IN SIGHT.

As a person coming over a hill and appearing in view.



Gestures.

A. 40.



Make as if picking up dirt, powder or ashes, and sifting it between the ends of the fingers.

A. 41,



Hold the hand over the mouth and open the eyes wide as if surprised.

A. 42.



Hold open flat left hand in front and place the fingers of the right hand forked over one or all of the fingers of the left.

Equivalents.

A, 40.

ASHES.

DIRT.

POWDER.

Also fine cloth as velvet, silk, satin, soft fur, &c.

Sift this way and then blow in the palm of hand signifies medicine, powder, &c.

A, 41.

ASTONISH-ED-ING.

SURPRISING.

MAEVELOUS.

When acquaintances meet after some absence, they place the palms of hands softly together and then cover themouth with the right hand and look surprised.

A. 42.

ASTRIDE.

As to straddle a fence sometimes used as a command to saddle a horse.

Some may use it for horseback, but it is not the proper sign. See R. 11.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

A. 43.



Push fists to and from the body simultaneously in a determined manner, and look as if you meant it. A. 43.

ATTEMPT

DETERMINATION.

MAKE AN EFFORT.

TRY.

BEGIN ETC.

See 1. 19. and D. 17.

A. 44.



Hold the left index in front of the face. Then shove the right indrx slowly across the left oure or twice. A. 44.

AWL.

TO PUNCH.

As with an and.

B. 1.



Fork the fingers of the left hand as shown. Then lay the right index back down into the palm in the opening made between the jingers.

B. 1.

BABY HOLDER-

BABY.

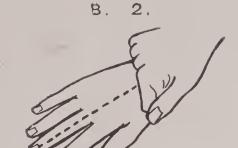
The index represents the child laid between the forked frame of a laby-holder.



Gestures.

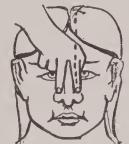
Equivalents,

B, 2.



Motion of grasping something, carrying it to the breast (mine). Then thrust the same clinched fist obliquely downward as if spurning to keep it, that thing.

В. З,



Fork the first and second fingers of the right hand and with palm toward the face, place one finger on each side of the nose and draw them upward.

в. 4.



First make a round opening with thumbs and fingers of both hands, then with the left half of the opening remaining thrust the whole of left hand downward through that opening.

BAD.

THROW IT AWAY,

Because it is not worth keeping. Signs of possession and throwing it away.

В, З.

BADGER,

STRIPED NOSE,

Stripes on the nose of a badger or coon.

B. 4.

BAG.

SACK.

Putting things in a hole as in a sack, dish or bucket. See B. 6.

the state of the s See The second of the second of ----

Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 5.



Place the palm of hand on top of the head and then sign ALL GONE or exterminated.

B, 5.

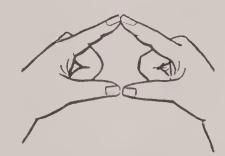
BALD.

TOP OF HEAD.

HAIR.

For bald add, GOT NONE or RUBBED OUT, See A. 28. and E. 10.

B. 6.



Place ends of thumbs and fingers together so as to form a round opening. Show this to the observer.

B. 6.

BASIN.

BASKET.

BOWL.

KETTLE.

PAN.

PALE,

Any round open toped vessel.

B, 7.



Gather all the spread fingers of loth handsin a circular form with their ends touching. Then move both hands to and from each other, as shown by the dotted lines.

B. 7.

BATTLE.

CHARGING AND

REPELLING.

ADVANCINC AND

RETREATING,



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 8.



First sign for water, then with the right index indicate the form or outline of the bay. B, 8,

вач.

SHAPE

FORM,

Anything, as a field or portion of country is mapped out in the same way.

B. 9.



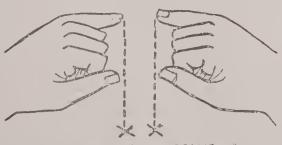
Make believe putting something in between the thumb and forefinger of the left hand as if threading a needle. B . 9.

BEADS,

STRINGING BEADS.

Imitate the stringing of beads. For bead work add a design or sign for work.

E. 10.



Extend thambs and little fingers of both hands. The rest of fingers closed.

Then with the hands in front of face, strike them both downward simultaneously.

B. 10.

- BEAR.

BEARS CLAWS.

Scratching like a bear or other wild beast.

Gestures.

B. 11.



Touch the sides of beard or ehin with the backs of the fingers two or three times.

Equivalents.

B. 11.

BEARD,

WHISKERS.

B. 12.



The right hand back up in front of the left breast. Then carry it upward and over to the right, when it will be palm up, do this three times emphatically.

B. 12.

BECALSE-OF

THE REASON-FOR.

WHY, ETC

B, 13,



Hold left hand palm up, levelin

front of the left breast.

Then lay the back of the open vight hand into the palm of the left hand, and from that position carry it in a horizontal are well to the right of body.

B. 13.

BED.

SPREAD.

Spread your blanket there!



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 14.

B. 14.



Hold the loosely flexed open right hand in front of the right side of body. Carry it upward, outward and down, drawing it in towards the right side.

BEG.

ASK.

A BEGGAR.

B. 15.

B. 15.



Point the right index backward over the right shoulder.

BEHIND.

AWAY BACK.

AGO.

With a long time it means A LONG TIME AGO-

B. 16.

B. 16.

BELOW.

DOWN.

UNDERNEATH.



Place the left hand back up in front of face. Place the righthand back up under the left, then lower the right hand more or less.



Gestures.

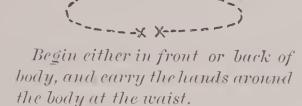
17.

B.

Equivalents.

B. 17.

BELT.



B. 18,

For eartridge belt add motion of putting eartridges into loups in belt.

B. 18.

ROSEBUD.

COFFEE.

OR BEANS.

BERRY.

Simply hold the left index in front and take hold of the end of it with thumb and forefinger of the right hand.

B. 19.

B, 19.

TO GAMBLE.

BET.

Make as if picking up two piles of money and putting them together in front of body.

The two hands are two parties who put their money in one place.

Putting up money to gamble for.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 20.

B. 20.



BETWEEN,

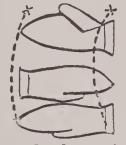
RAVINE.

Fork the first and second finger of the left hand and draw the end of the right index from knunkles past the ends of fingers.

Between forks or ridges of land.

B. 21.

B, 21.



BEYOND.

FURTHER OVER.

MORE,

Left hand back up in front of breast. Then place the right back up between the left and the breast. Then carry the right over the left and beyond, turning the right palm up at end of movement.

B. 22,

B 22.

BIG,

LARGE.

GREAT.

Always referring to objects.



Form circle with the spread fingers of both hands place the ends nearly touching and then draw the right upward to the right to arms length.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 23,





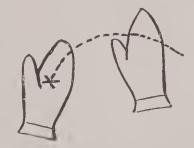
Makea big sweep with open right hand in an are from the chin to waist. BIG BELLY.

GROS VENTRES.

This tribe is so called from this characteristic.

B. 24.





Hold the left hand palmup well in front. Then shake the open right hand foreibly into it, making a report. BIG NOISE.

A REPORT FROM A GUN.

A volley is shown by striking the hands rapidly.

B. 25.

B. 25,



Motion of wrapping twine around a bundle held in the fingers of the left hand.

BIND.

WRAP.

TIE.

See C. 17.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 26.

B. 26.



BITE.

The thumb and index of left hand partly separated. Then move it forward rather spitefully and close them. As a dog or other beast.

B, 27.

B. 27.



BITS.

BRIDLE.

TO BRIDLE.

2.2......

B. 28,

gers in the corners of the mouth and draw them toward the cars.

B. 28.



BITTER.

SOUR.

SALT.

Put the right index on the lips as if TO TASTE. Then from that position make sign for BAD. See B. 2.

For SWEET look pleased and sign for GOOD. See G. 11.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 29.

B. 29.



Hold the left hand back up in front. Then extend the first two fingers of the left hand and with their ends describe a spiral on the back of left hand.

BLACK.

See C. 15.

B. 30.

В. 30.

BLESS-ED-ING-S



I BLESS YOU

THANKS.

BLIND.

PITY. MERCY.

Both hands back up in front of breast. Raise them upward, outward and downward, forming an are from the body.

The Indians erave this gesture which is usually given by old men. To those who bestow presents upon others.

B. 31.

B. 31.



Cover both eyes with palms of hands.

For bashful or shame leave one eye peeping over the fingers. Can add, SEE NOT.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 32.





Place the two first fingers of right hand on the lips.

BLOOD.

Color of the lips. If a wound, thrust the same two fingers from the location of wound to imitate the spurting of blood. For BLOOD INDIANS use only the index and omit the thrust.

B, 33.

B. 33.

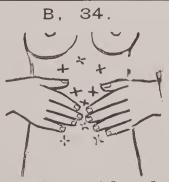


Motion of rowing a boat.

BOAT.

ROW-ING.

OARS.



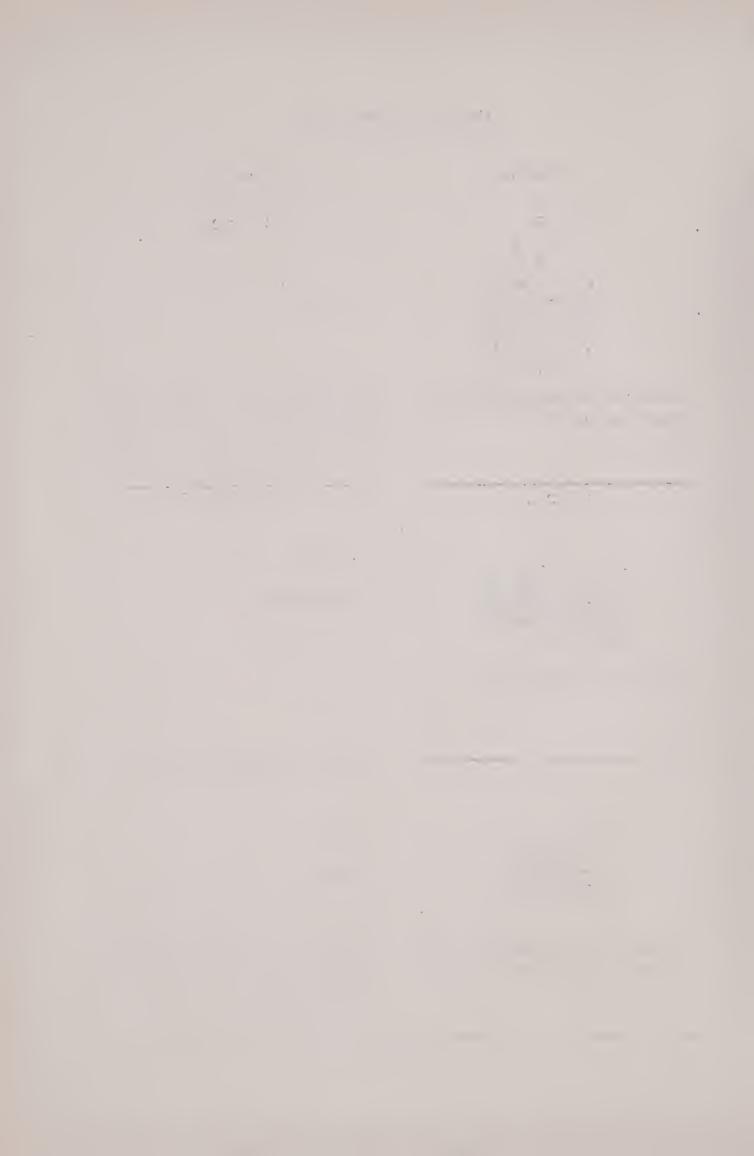
Touch the body with ends of fingers of both hands and in several places.

B. 34.

BODY.

WELL.

The same gesture with additional sign for SICK means SMALL-POX. For WELL add sign for GOOD,







Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 35.

B. 35.



BOIL.

SWELLING.

Pinch up a bunch of muscle in locality of the affliction and make facial expression of pain. Can add sign of THROBBING. See A. 3.

В. 36.

В. 36.



BONES.

POOR IN FLESH.

Hold the left fist in front and take hold of the knuckle joints with the fingers of the right hand: shake the knuckles with the same.

All bones.

B. 37,

B, 37,



воок,

Hold the hands side and side palm up and look intently into them as if reading.

Move the hands apart and it is a book spread out. A NEWSPA-PER. With sign for READ and left as book, it means law-book. Shaded, THE BIBLE.



Gestures.

D. 38 -



Extend right index, and beginning above the breast thrust it downward to waist, thence turn it upward to opposite the breast.

B. 39.



Extend the left index upward in front and lay the right index across the wrist.

B. 40.



Motion of drawing an arrow and taking sight as shooting with bow and arrows.

Equivalents.

B. 38.

BIRTH.

BORN.

A CHILD.

CHILDREN.

For girl add female. For bay add short man. For a baby add baby-holder.

B. 39.

BOTTLE .

JUG.

VIAL.

Any vessel having a neck.

B. 40.

BOW.

SHOOT,



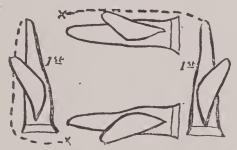
Gestures.

B. 41.



Place ends of index fingers and thumbs together so as to form a nearly round opening and hold them in view.

B. 42,



Hold both hands apart. Thumbs up. Ends pointed outward. Then earrying the right around both palm towards the body, drawing the left to right near the left side of body so as to be palm opposite, thus forming a square in the whole gesture.

B, 43.



Elevate the rightindex, backout in front as MAN. Then lower it a little.

Equivalents.

E. 41,

BOWL.

BASIN.

KETTLE,

TUB.

PAIL,

Any open top round vessel.

B. 42.

вох.

A box house. A square of anything, as a field.

B. 43.

BOY-

A SHORT MAN.

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 44.



Make as if traiding the hair.

B. 44.

BRAID,

TO BRAID.

There is another sign but very difficult to describe, besides it interferes with the sign for mingle. See M. 13.

B. 45.



Point to or touch forehead with the end of index finger.

B, 45.

BRAIN,

THE MIND.

THE SENSE.

THE INTELLECT.

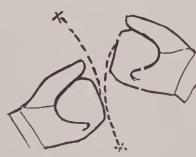
Indians used to think that the heart was the seat of knowledge and many signs are based upon this idea.

B, 46.

BRAVE.

This is an intensifier. It adds force to signs as: It blows hard is a wind brave. A greatdanger is danger brave.

B. 46.



Hold both fists in front of face. Then strike the right down and the left up simultaneously in a volent manner and just missing each other. Look excited during this gesture.



Gestuves.

Equivalents.

B. 47,

B. 47.



Strike first one palm and then the other into each other alternate-

ly like patting a cake.

BREAD,

Sometimes it auswers for flouv. For havd tack strike the left wvist with lower edge of right haud. (Indicating a piece so large).

B. 48.

B, 48.



Place right hand at the groin and draw it upward to the waist.

BREECH CLOUT.

Called a G string.

B. 49,

B, 49.



Place the fists backs up together in front. Thumbs touching. Raise the right to the right and the left to the left, when they will be palm up at end of gesture.

BREAK,

TO BREAK.

BROKEN.

As a stick or a breakdown.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B, 50,

B. 50.

Both hands in front. Thumbs up. Morrd outward and inward slowly and breathe rather emphatically.

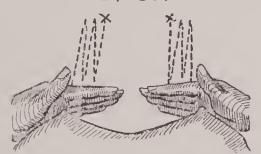
BREATHE,

THE BREATH.

BREATHING.

RESPIRATION,

B, 51.



Same motion and precisely the same sign, but distinguished by shading.

B. 51,

BREATHE.

THE SPIRIT OF LIFE.

THE LIFE ELEMENT.

With a divine sense shown by shading the diagram.

B. 52,



Both handsbacks up. Hold them flat in front.

B. 52.

BRIDGE.

The full sign sometimes is accompanied by stream, tree, chop, wagon, and then add the flat hands, indicating that the stream is covered flat.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

B. 53.



Place the first two fingers of one hand in the mouth.

B, 53.

BROTHER,

SISTER.

COUSINS,

RELATIONS.

Any near relation. (Together suck.)

B. 54.



Make a big sweep with the flat right hand from shoulder past the hand outside of the left arm. B. 54.

BROTHER IN LAW.

A feather is sometimes shown by the same movement in front of the left arm.

B. 55.



Lay the flat right hand on the thigh. From there raise it and make the gesture for fire. See F. 13.

B. 55.

BRULE SIOUX,

BURNT THIGHS



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 1.



Pass the right index under the nose as if piercing the septum

C. 1.

CADDO-

NEZ PERCE.

SHAWNEES.

From the habit of piercing the septum for receiving ornaments. A custom now abandoned.

C. 2.

C. 2.

CALAMAS.

DIG -ING FOR ROOTS,

Make as if digging in the earth

Make as if digging in the earth with one or both index fingers.

Can add sign for EAT and GOOD,

C. 3.



Hold the spread left hand up in front of forehead. Then place the right index under it and wiggle the ends of fingers with the left hand, as in sign of fire.

С, з.

CANDLE.

A LIGHT.

A LAMP

Allegorically it means teaching. Sec D. 5.

(The right index represents the candle or lump.



Gestures.

C. 4.

Extend the left index in front. Then with the right beginning at the knuckles describe a crooked line along the left index.

Equivalents.

C. 4.

CROOKED.

A CROOKED ROAD.

THE BAD ROAD.

WRONG.

To do wrong is to go crooked.

C. 5.



Push the end of the nose upward with ball of right hand. C. 5.

CAT.

SHORT NOSE,

SNUB NOSE ETC

C. 6,



Hold the loosely flexed right hand palm up horizontally. Then draw it quickly tonards the right side.

C, 6.

CATCH IT.

RECEIVE.

ACCEPT.

To obtain anything or favor.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C 7

C. 7.



Crook both index fingers and rest them on the sides of the head above the ears. CATTLE.

HORNS,

BUFFALO,

For Buffalo turn the fingers crooked ontward.

C. 8.



Extend both index fingers as two men and thrust both downward to left and right several times simultaneously.

C. 8.

CHASE.

As chasing game

C. 9.



Motion of cutting gashes across the left arm with the right index. C. 9.

CHEYENNES.

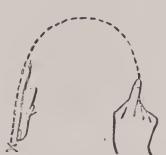
CUT ARMS.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 10.



Elevate the right index as man.
Raise it high and carryit over and

C. 11,

dounivard.



Ixtend right index as man. Begin above the breast and thrust it downward thruing it upward and ending opposite forehad.

C. 12.



Form circle with thumb and fingers of left hand. Then touch the circle in about a dozen places.

C. 10.

CHIEF

One who rises above and overlooks people. The shaded sign is designed to represent a divine Chief. Heaven Chief.

C. 11.

CHILD.

CHILDREN.

BORN.

BIRTH.

C. 12,

CLOCK.

A WATCH.

A DIAL.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 13-



Draw the spread thumb and ind x from breast downward. C. 13.

CLOTHING

APPAREL.

Make this gesture over any part to be clothed represent the article intended.

C. 14.



Take hold of the lappels of the coat collar and pull them together.

C. 14-

CLOTHING,

BLANKET.

SHAWL.

See C. 13.

C. 15.



Rub the backs of the hands together, C. 15.

GOLOR.

SPOTTED.

ROAN.

MOTTLED.

BRINDLE.

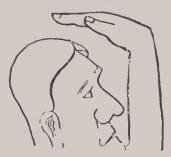
Any off color.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 16.



Cast the eyes upward and lay the flat hand an inch or two above the head.

C. 16.

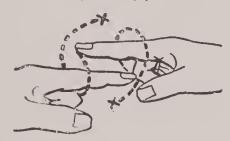
CLOUD.

CLOUDY.

DESPONDENCY,

One is sometimes. Thus under a cloud, as it were.

C. 17.



Extend both index fingers in front and roll the right over the left and the left over the right or, in other words, twirl the fingers.

C, 17.

CIGAR.

CIGARETTE.

WRAP,

BIND.

TIE. ETC.

C. 18.



Hold the left fist back up in front. Then with the right fit wack up. A.a':e motion of grinding coffee in one of those lap coffee mills.

C. 18.

COFFEE.

COFFEE MILL.

GRIND.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 19.



Hold the fists about half arm length in front and shiver, the fists taking an up and down shaking movement.

C. 19.

COLD,

WINTER.

AGE,

YEAR.

C. 20.



The index or hand held horizont l'y in front of the right side, and from there drawn in a snake like movement backwards past the side. C. 20.

COMANCHEE.

SNAKE,

ANOTHER SNAKE.

A snake that goes backward in distinction from Shoshonee which goes forward.

C. 21.



Motion of combing the side of the head.

C. 21.

COMB.

A WOMAN.

LONG HAIR.

See W. 29.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 22.

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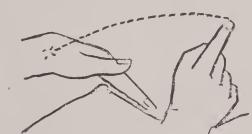
COME -

COME TO ME.

C. 23.

Beckon towards the breast.

C, 23.



COME TO THIS PLACE.

COME HERE.

CAME HERE.

ARRIVED.

Lay flat left hand on the left breast and becken, bringing the right index against the back of the left hand.

The left hand represents a place in mind, or referred to-

C. 24,

C. 24.



COME IN SIGHT.

Hold the left hand in front of eyes and shove the vight index between it and the face until the end of index can be seen by an observer.

As a person coming into view from behind a ridge or hill.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C, 25.

C. 25.



Grab with right hand. Hiding the clinched fist under the left arm.

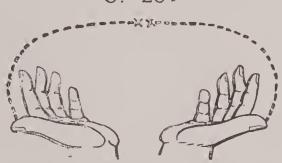
CONCEAL,

HIDE.

STEAL.

For steal first sign for CATCH IT- Then add this sign.

C. 26.



Both open hands palm ontward and carried well out and around in front of body as if reaching around some large object, as a hogshead.

C. 26,

CORRAL.

KARRAL.

SURROUNDED.

A strong enclosure.

C. 27.



Hold left fist in front. Knuckles pointed outward. Then make motion of shelling corn with ball of right thumb at base of the left thumb.

C, 27.

CORN.

SHELLING CORN.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 28.



First make a big circle from front around the rear of body. This represents a circular tent or people sitting in a circle. Then the open right hand held horizontally palm up is carried by short stops around that circle as if handing something to each person sitting there.

C. 29.



Hold the open left hand with the fingers spread in front of face. Then deliberately turn down, first the little finger, then the next, perhaps more.

C. 30.



Extend both index fingers. Hold the left in front pointed toward the right and then carry right lack outward under and beyond the left.

C, 28.

COUNCIL.

COUNSELING.

Passing words around in a circle or to various persons sitting around.

C, 29,

COUNTING.

RECKONING.

HOW MUCH?

HOW MANY?

If question is intended, look inquiringly towards the party addressed.

C, 30,

COUNT COUP.

COUNTS ONE FOR ME.

(Much interesting matter under these heads is omitted in these cards.

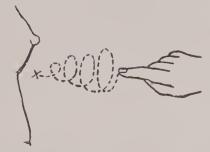


Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 31'

C. 31.



COURTSHIP,

Extend the right index pointed toward some person and carry it in an advancing spiral movement toward him or her.

I never saw this used. H.

C, 32.

C. 32.



COWARD-S.

Hold both index fingers up in front at about arms length. Then draw both in towards the body. Shrink backward a trifle as if in mortal fear.

Two men coming in as from the front of battle.

C. 33.

C. 33.



FOOLISH,

CRAZY,

Elevate the right hand to right of head and describe a circle or spiral against the sun.

BRAIN REVLOVES BADK--WARDS.

This is often used to represent Knowas. But they are no more erizy than other prople, besides it is not their profe sign. See K. 6.

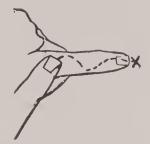


Gestures.

Equivalents.

C, 34.

C. 34.



CROOKED.

WRONG,

Extend the left index in front of the face. Then with end of the right index, beginning at the knuckle, trace a zigzag line to and beyond the end of the left.

A crooked road is a wrong road or wrong policy, dishonesty, dissimulation.

C. 35.

C. 35.



A CROSS,

Lay the right index across the left and hold them in vi w.

Of any material as a decoration. Lay these crossed fingers on the breast.

C. 36.

C. 36.



CROSS.

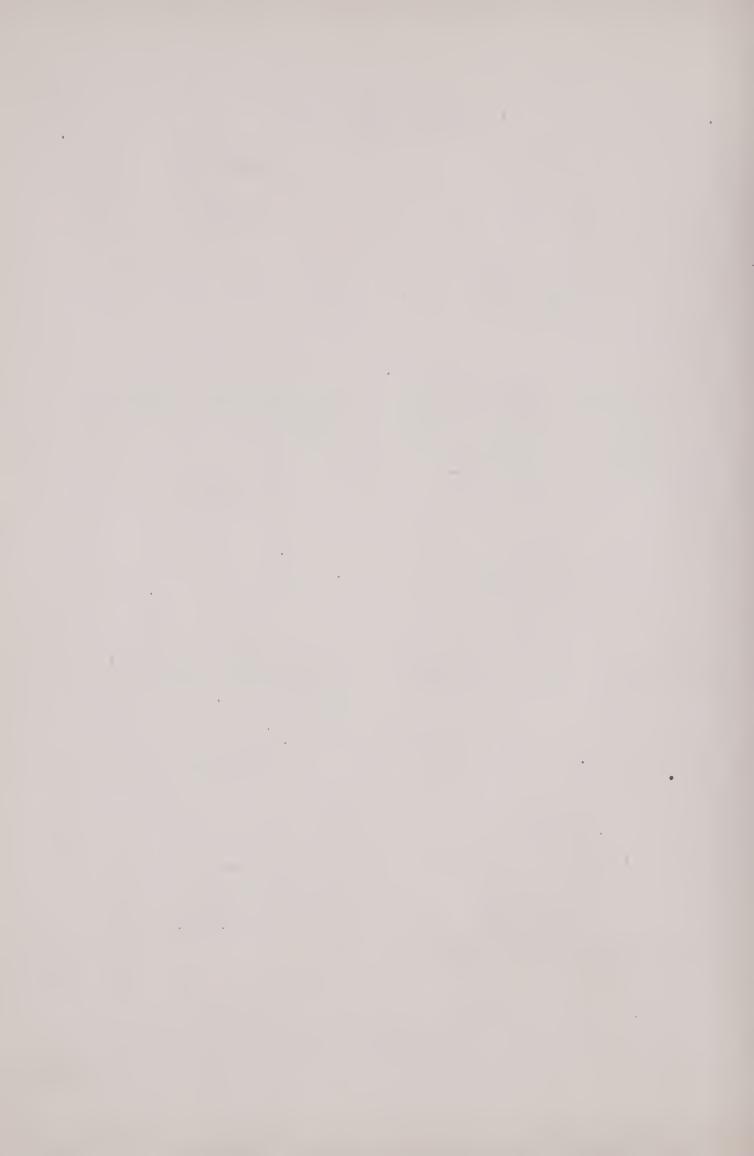
SULLEN.

SNAPPISH-

BAD TEMPER.

HEART IS BAD.

Simply assume the appearance of moroseness.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 37.

C, 37.



CRY - ING.

WEEP-ING.

TEAR -S.

MOURNIN -ING.

Place ends of both index fingers at the eyes and draw them downward. Assume the appropriate facial expression.

C, 38.



CRYINC,

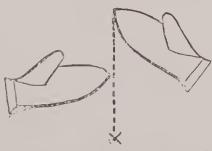
WEEPING.

RAINING TEARS,

gers hanging down and let both hands drop downward past the

face

C. 39.



Hold the open handsout in front the left pointing to the right, and the right pointing outward above and near ends of fingers of the left hand. Then strike the right downward past the ends of the fingers of the left.

C. 39.

C, 38.

CUT IT OFF.

DONE.

FINISH -ED.

COMPLETE -D.

CONCLUDE -D.

END -ED.

QUIT.

STOP. ETC. ETC,

Make an end of whatever is being said or done.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

C. 40.



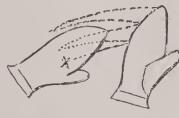
C. 40.

CUT OFF.

Hold the hand in front thumb up pointing to the right. Then with the right hand thumb up, shove it outward past the end of the left.

As the end of a log, rope, etc.

C. 41.



C. 41.

CUTTING UP.

Holl the open left hand back up in front. Then with the open right neake motion of cutting from right to left several times under the left hand.

As entting beef into strips to dry.

C. 42.



C. 42.

CUTTING A LARRIETT.
HORSE STEALING,

First sign for HORSE. Then the same sign as for entting up. But only one cut. This is often struck in the opposite direction: outward.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 1.

D, 1,



DAM,

HOLD.

CLOSE A LEAK,

TO BATTEN CRACKS.

Both hands back out with fingers spread. Laythefingers of one hand over the interstice of the other as if to prevent anything passing through between the fingers.

D. 2.



Hold the flexed fingers of one or loth hands pointing upward. Then dance them up and down much as if dandling a baby.

D. 3.



Hold both fists at arms length in front and raise and lower them simultaneously and energetically.

D. 2.

DANCE.

JOY,

HAPPINESS.

LIVELINESS, ETC.

People have to be in good humor to enjoy dancing.

D. 3.

DANGER-OUS.

BE CAREFUL,

LOOK-OUT-

Particularly to riders over dangerous places as galleys, prairies, deg holes, etc.

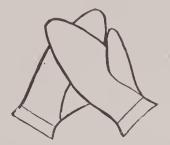


Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 4.

D. 4.

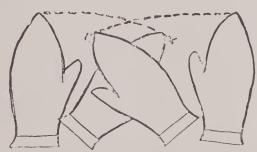


DARK.

Lay the back of one hand into the palm of the other and hold them before the eyes.

Impenetrable to light. Cannot see through them.

D. 5.



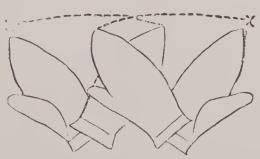
D. 5,

DARK-NESS.
COVER-ED.
NIGHT.

Both handsbacksup. Carry the right over the left. This is the physical feature. To carry the left over the right is the mental feature. See F. 21.

God draws a blanket over the earth at night. In the morning he throws it off. See the next sign.

D. 6.



D. 6.

DAY-LIGHT.

OPEN-NESS.

UNCOVER-ED.

Having the hands back up and the right crossing the left (as in night). Then turn both hends over, moving them a little apart. Less in the light, etc.

Sometimes the light of knowledge.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 7.



D. 7.

DAYBREAK.

Hold the flat hands pains together. Then gradually move the right a little to the right. (So as to let in a little light as it were.

Day a little or just at daylight.

D. 8.



D. 8.

DEAF-NESS. HEARS-NOT.

Hold the right hand over the right ear. Then make sign for hear. See HEAR and NOT.

D. 9.

This is properly a compound sign.

Omitted.

D, .10.

D. 10.



DEAD,

DEATH.

TO DIE.

Man goes under.

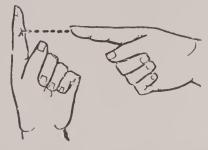
Hold the flat left hand back up well out in front. Then extend the right index as man. Pass it under the left hand, keeping the back of right index outward.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 11.



Hold the left index well out in front. Then raise the right as a gnn sight and force the end of it against the left about in the mi'dle.

D. 11.

DEAD SHOT,

CENTRE SHOT,

D. 12.



Extend the right index towards the person and shake it quickly to right and left. Assume a defiant facial expression.

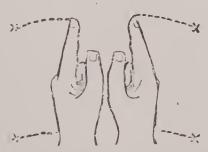
D. 12.

DEFY -ANCE.

RATTLE SNAKE.

I dare you! You dare not! You rascal! Sometimes used for I WILL NOT,

D. 13,



Elerate both index finger in front and near each other. Then move the right to the right and the left to the left until some distance apart.

D. 13.

DEPART.

SEPARATE.

APART.

DIFFERENT.

I DIFFER FROM. ETC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 14.



First sign water or stream and then place the hand on the person to show how far the water rises on the person or horse.

D. 14.

DEEP.

DEPTH.

SO DEEP.

Generally used in connection with a ford or pond meaning. The water comes up to here.

D. 15.



Elevate and point both index fingers downward to top of shoulders. If water make sign for water or stream.

D. 15.

DEEP.

VERY DEEP.

OVER THE SHOULDERS.

SHOULDERS.

D. 16.



Extend the right index obliquely upward in front. Move to right and left several times rather quickly advancing the index to arms length.

D. 16.

DEER.

GAME.

A deer jumps first to one side and then the other in its fright.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 17.





DETERMINATION.

I AM DETERMINED.

Bra e y wrself, clinch the fists, jorearms horizontal and fists to frent. Then assume a determined facial expression and move the j'ets to and from past the sides with considerable vine.

Assume a determined look. The more energy that can be put into this gesture, the more foreible will be the idea.

See I MUST and I WILL.

D. 18.

D. 18.

DESTROY.

DESTRUCTION.

TO KILL.

Cliuch the right fist and thrust it obliquely downward. Look savage as if you meant it.

To kill is to destroy. See another sign for kill or nunrder.

D. 19.

D. 19.



DEATH.



Precisely the same gesture as for death. Aman GOES UNDER at death.

Hold the left flathand back up in front. Then extend the right index and carry it back outward under the left hand.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 20,



Place the ends of both index finnear each other. The left horizontal, the right vertical. So they form about a square corner. D, 20.

DIFFERENT.

SOME OTHER WAY.

I do not vouch for this gesture, but it was taught me thus,

D, 21.

D. 21.



One or both index fingers scratcheing some imaginary or real horizontal object.

DIG -ING.

As digging in the dirt. As for voots, etc.

D. 22.



Arert the face and look as if disgusted. D. 22.

DISGUSTED.

ABHORENCE,

SCORN, ETC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 23.



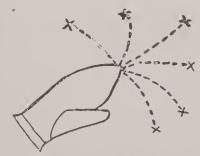
Elevate the right index as man, Then bring it near the ear and incline the head towards it as if listening to that man.

D. 24.



Extend the left index in front, Then feck the first two fingers of the right hand and place them estride of the left index. Then raise both handstogether, advancing them. Then slide the forked fingers over one side and leave them standing on their tips.

D, 25.



Hold the open right hand palm up in front. Then beginning near the left side, make as if handing semething around to different ones. D, 23.

DISCIPLE.
A LEARNER.

ONE WHO LISTENS.

The right index is the listener.

D. 24.

DISMOUNT -ED,
GET DOWN,
ALIGHT.

As a man gets off from a horse.

C. 25,

DISTRIBUTED.

DISTRIBUTION,

GIVES US



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D, 26.

D. 26.



Hold the first two fingers of the right hand and draw it horizon-tally from in front to rear of body.

DOG.

A TRAVOY.

Before Indians had horses they used dogs to drag tent poles and light loads. And the sign for TRAVOY has descended to the DOG.

D, 27,

D. 27.



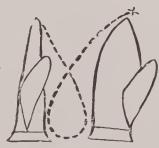
Form a circle with thumb and index of the right hand and hold it to view.

DOLLAR.

COIN.

MONEY.

D, 28.



Hold the open right hand thumb up obliquely upward in front. Then drop the ends of the fingers. Bring them inward, upward and outward to first position. D. 28.

DOING.

TO DO.

An act See WORK,

This is a most graceful movement, either with one or both hands.

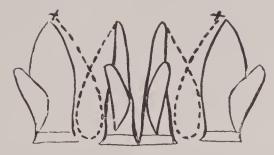


Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 29.

D. 29.



Hold both hands. Thumbs up, obliquely upward in front. Drop and turn the ends of fingers of both inward, upward and outward as in 28.

DO TO US.

DO IT FOR US.

This is like 28, but pluralized by using both hands.

D. 30.



Thrust the fist into palm of left hand rather spitefully. Then sign NOT with the open right hand. D, 30.

DONE IT NOT.

OR HARD NOT

See HARD and NOT.

D. 31.



Hold open left hand palm toward the face. Then with the open right hand thumb toward the face, lie the edge of the hand into the palm of the left. Then swing it as if hung on hinges. D. 31.

DOOR.

A HINCE.

A GATE.

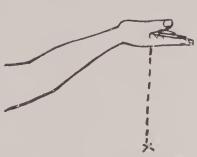


Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 32.

D. 32.



Extend open right hand palm up to arms length. Then lower it very deliberately.

DOWN.

LIE DOWN.

LIE LOW.

As wariors.

D. 33.



Use either hand palm up and strike it down.

D. 33.

DOWN.

GET DOWN.

D. 34.



Simply hold flat hand horizontally at side and push it downward. D. 34.

DOWN,



Gestures.

Equiralents.

D. 35.



Some as 34, only lower the hand by stops, as it were.

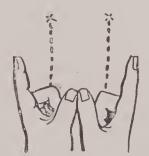
D. 36.

D. 37.



Hold the right hand emp-shape and hold it to month as if drink-ing.

D. 38.



Widespread thumb and index of both hands. Place the thumbs alout 6 inches apart, and with index fingers pointing right to right oblique, left to left oblique, and ; ush both outward simultaneously rather energetically.

D. 35.

DOWN! DOWN!

In a grave sense, as down! down! cternally descending.

Omitted.

D.37.

DRINK.

DRINKING CUP

D, 38.

DRIVE.

CHARGE,

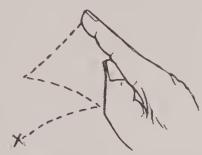
MOVE ON,



Gestures.

Equivalents.

D. 39.



Hold the right index as man. Then imitate the action of a drunken man with that index. D. 39.

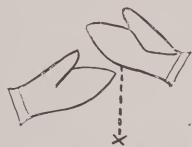
DRUNK.

STAGGERING.

BLIND STACGERS.

This movement is similar to that for deer, but does not advance. The side movements are in curves.

D. 40.



Hold the open left hand thumb up in front pointing to right. Then with the right thumb up, pulm opposite to ends of fingers and a little higher strike the right quickly down. D. 40.

DONE.

CUT OFF.

FINISHED.

ENDED.

CONCLUDED.

DISCHARGED. ETC

E. 1.



Simply touch the ear.

E, 1.

EAR.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

E. 2.

E. 2.



Point downward toward the earth.

E.

E 3.

EATING.

EARTH.

FOOD.



Make motion of putting food into the mouth.

E. 4.

Anything that is put in the mouth as food. Sometimes it auswers for a whole seutence, as I want to eat, etc.

3.

E. 4.



First sign of EAT. Then

EATING HOUSE.

HOTEL.

TAVERN.

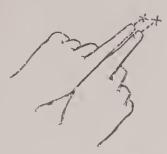
RESTAURANT.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

E. 8.



Lay both index fingers side and side, others closed. Then more both forward together.

E. 8,

EQUAL-ITY. THE SAME AS.

LIKE.

ALIKE.

Sometimes used for PART-NERS, As share and share alike or going together on an equal footing.

E. Q.



Lay the wrists across each other with closed fists, palms facing the body. Then jork them apart suddenty as if breaking them loose. E. 9,

ESCAPE.

Breaking loose from bonds or restraint.

E. 10.



The open left hand palm up in front. Then lay the palm of the open right near the wrist. Theu rub the right across the palm of the left and a little leyond ends of fingers.

E, 10.

EXTERMINATED.

RUB OUT.

ALL GONE,

NONE LEFT.

WIPED OUT.

EXHAUSTED,

Gestures.

Equivalents.

Ė. 11.



Simply point the index to the eye intended.

E. 11.

EYE.

THE RIGRT EYE.

E. 12,



Poilet the index to the left eye.

E. 12.

EYE.

THE LEFT EYE.

The two eyes pointed out one after another signifies the phrase AN EYE FOR AN EYE.

E. 13.



Fork the first two fingers of either hand and place the ends near the eyes.

E. 13.

EYES.

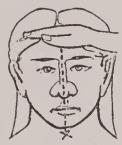
BOTH EYES.



Gestuves.

Equivalents.

F. 1.



Hold the open flat hand back up above the forehead, from there lower it gradually past the chin. F. 1.

FACE.

COUNTENANCE.

CLEAN.

BEAUTIFUL,

The face is sapposed to be clean, its beauty divine.

F. 2.



Hold left hand back up in front and pass the right index under, sort of back-handed, and return the right index. F. 2.

FAINT-ED,

DIE AND RECOVER.

To faint is as death for the time being. Indians always speak of it as death.

F. 03.



Have the right index at right treast and carry it outward.

F. 03.

FAITH,

BELIEF.

I BELIEVE,

See I think, which is a little like this in meaning.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 3.



Hold the loosely flexed fingers of cither hand pointed downward. Then love it in a wave like movement to imitate a leaf falling.

F. 3.

FALL AS A LEAF-AUTUMN.

The leaf falling time.

F. 4.

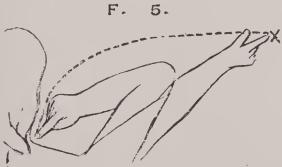


Fxt nd the right index and pass it between the lips with a twist as if it was a stick being wet with saliva.

F, 4.

FAME. NOTORIETY. WELL-KNOWN. A WET ARROW.

A wet arrow goes far.



Move the hand from the shoulder to extrem, arms lengt. . F, 5.

FAR, DISTANT. A GREAT WAY OFF.

Another way is to push pointed upward far outward.

Gestires.

Equivalents.

6.

F.

F. 6.



Hold the flat left hand well out in front of face thumb up. Then with the flat right hand thumb up and a little to rear of right knee, bring it quickly past and above the left, hitting the palms together as it passes.

FAST-

QUICK.

SWIFT.

RAPID.

F. 7.



Hold the open left hand in front and draw the spread thumb and index over the left, the right thumb passing inside and right index on the outside of the fingers of the left hand. F. 7.

FAT.

BACON.

THICK.

The thick or back of a knife, saw or other things.

F. 8.



The two fists backs up in front are struck downward or pushed outward once.

F, 8,

FAT.

This has reference to cattle or stock.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F, 9.

F. 9.



Make as if taking hold of the right nipple and drawing the hand outward to nearly arms length.

FATHER,

See mother. The shaded sign has reference to Heaven Father. All shaded signs have a divine application in print.

F. 10.



Gesture is made precisely like F. 9,

F. 10.

FATHER.

In a divine sense in print.

F. 11.



Both hands loosely flexed above the head and more the ends of fingers inward and upward a few imes. F. 11.

FEVER.

(In the head).

HEAD. -IS SICK.

See hot.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 12.



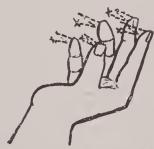
F, 12.

FIGHT -ING

Both fists shot outward and drawn inward alternately in an aukward imitation of men sparring,

This is the sign, but Indians never fight with fists. This accomplishment belongs to whites.

F, 13.



F. 13.

FIRE,

Hold the widespread fingers of the right hand well up in front and wiggle the ends of the fingers. The moving fingers represent the flieker of a flame, also the twinkle of a star.

F, 14.



F, .14

FISH, SWIM.

The open right hand thumb up. Move it outward in a sinuous manner, much as a snake moves.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 15.



The right hand thumb up, nearly horizontal, well above the head and wave it right and left a f w times.

F, 15.

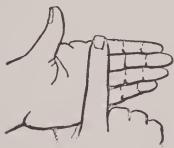
FLAG.

BANNER,

WAVE.

As a flag or eloth by the wind.

F. 16.



Hold the open left hand thinnb up well out in front; then lay the right index across the base of the fingers on the inside. F. 16,

FIRM.

STRONG.

STRENGTHEN -ED.

As a strip nailed across pickets.

F, 17.



The open left hand back up in front: then lay the right index on the back of the fingers of the left hand and more both together up and down a few times, advancing the movement.

F. 17.

FLOAT -ING

As a boat, or wood on water, or baloon in nir.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 18.

F. 18



FLY. WINGS, BIRD

Both hands rather loose jointed at wrists are flopped up and down in any convenient position as front of each breast.

Can signify large, black, small, white, swift, slow, etc., to specify the species.

F. 19.

F. 19.



FOG,,

MIST.

Spread the fingers of both hands, then lay the back of right across the palms of the left so as to leave opening between. Then hold the crossed fingers before the eyes. A dark day, etc. Can see, but not far, nor very distinctly.

F. 20.

F. 20.



FOLLOW.

TO TRACK STOCK.

Extend both open hand palms a little apart, pointed obliquely nownwards. Then thrust both at once down towards the left, then nown to right several times, advancing both from the person.

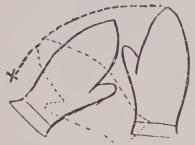
Make the appropriate sign for the animal being followed.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 21.



Hold the vight hand out in front back up. Then bring the left back up from the left toward the right and under the right untill the hands are crossed.

F. 22.



Strike the side of the right fist into the palm of the lift hand.

F. 23.



Place the open right hand palm towards right side of the head just viewr of the head. Then more it f rward and backward past front and rear of head. F, 21,

FORGET.

FORGOTTEN.

LOST.

STRAYED,

ASTRAY.

This is opposite the gesture for night and signifies mental darkness, while night is physical darkness just contrary to the cut.

F. 22.

FORCE.

STRENGTH.

STRONG.

POWER.

This need not be used for hard, rock, metal, which is shown by thrusting the end of fist against the palm

F, 23.

FOREVER.

ALWAYS,

ETERNALLY.

For always was add BEHIND. For always will be add AHEAD.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 24.



Furthe fingers npward through the front hair and shut or twist the hand.

F. 24.

FORELOCK.

FRONT HAIR.

MANE.

F. 25.

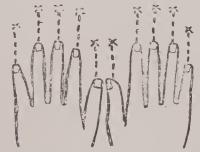


Spread the first two fingers of the left hand, then place the end of right index near the inner end on the back of knnckles. F. 25.

FORK-S.

As of a road, stream or lines.

F. 26.



Elevate all of the fingers in front, then raise them slowly.

F. 26.

FOREST.

GROVE.

TREES,

WOODS,

ORCHARD, ETC.

Trees grow upward and slowly. See grass.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 27.

F. 27.



FOOT RACE.

Extend both index fingers backs up and more them forward and backward rapidly several times alternately.

Two men striving, first one then the other gets ahead in any matter. Also applies to a horse race.

F. 28.



F, 28.

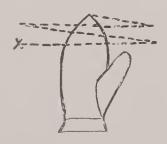
FRAGRANT.

A PLEASANT ODOR.

Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and place them once on each side of the westrils. Then sign for good. Assume a pleased expression of countenance.

Smells good. See STINK, which smells had.

F. 29.



F. 29.

FREEDOM.

AN ACCIDENT.

BY ITSELF.

INDEPENDENT.

A PRAIRIE.

In accident happens by it elf. Nothing to hinder.

The right hand palm up and level in front. Then earry it level to right and left several itmes.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

F. 30.

F, 30.



FRIEND - SHIP - LY.
PEACEWELGOME,

Shake your own hands or grasp all the fingers of the left with the right hand. A salutation friendly when it would be inconvenient to approach near the parties.

F. 31,

F. 31,



FRIENDS.
DEAREST FRIEND.

Hook the bent index fingers together and make one motion usually downward an inch or more.

Linked together in bonds of love or friendship.

F. 32.

F. 32.



FROM.
WHEREFROM.
WHERE ARE YOU FROM,

Extend the bent index well out in front and draw it back past the right shoulder. Assume an air of inquiry or look surprised.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 1.

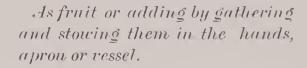
G. 1.

GATHER-ING.

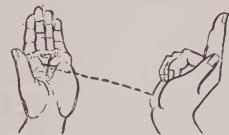


Hold the left hand against the body in front and make as if picking fruit and placing in the hollow of the left hand.

G. 2.



G 2.



Hold the open left hand we'l out in front palm towards face and inclined upward. Then extend the right index as man. Incline it backward so as to project the ball of hand forward. Thrust the ball into the hollow of the left hand.

GET THERE.

ARRIVED THERE.

WENT TO THAT PLAGE.

In this case the left hand represents the place.

G.

3.

G. E.

GIVE,

I GIVE IT.

GIVE TO YOU.

GAVE.



The open hand slightly flexed held in front and carried gently towards some one.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 4.

G. 4.



GIVE ME,

GIVE IT TO ME.

The slightly flexed open right hand well out from the body is drawn toward the right breast.

G. 5.

G. 5.



near the right side, thumb up, is

raised in an arc ontward to arms length. If imperative, assume a GO,

GO AWAY.

GET OUT FROM HERE.

An imperative, but may be used passively, as I GO. WE GO.

G. 6.

commanding appearance.

G. 6.



GO AWAY, GO AWAY.

The much flexed and limber jointed fingers are flipped from breasts outward with a peculiar facial expression.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 7.



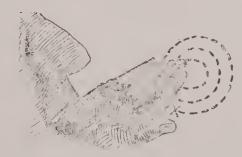
Touch the chin or beard with the backs of the fingers.

G. 8.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and hold them a little above the head in front of face and twist the wrist so as to show the hand first one side out and then the other side several times.

G. 9.



Open right hand palm up in front of mouth: then carry it horizontally in a circular movement, raising the hand at the same time to indicate vapor rising from the breath.

G, 7.

GOAT.

BEARD,

G. 8.

GOD.

MYSTERY ABOVE.

SACRED.

MYSTERIOUS.

UNKNOWN.

This is the Northern sign which signifies THE GREAT MYS-TERY.

Twisting the wrist and forked fingers means something unknow. Near the heart, it means the heart does not know. Over the face or forehead, the mind does not know: the forked fingers show two diverging points or thoughts.

G. 9.

GOD.

THE GREAT SPIRIT.
THE FATHER OF LIFE.

THE BREATH OF LIFE.

Vapor is a visible sense of the atmosphere and it rises in a civcular or spiral form, hence, this gesture.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 10.



With all the widespread fingers pointed toward or touching each other, hold them in front of face.

G. 10.

GONE -

A CLOSED CAMP.

ABSENT.

A COVERED OPENING.

G. 11.



Right hand back up, thumb touching breast bone, move it straight out on a level in front. G. 11.

GOOD.

GLAD,

RIGHT.

Level with the heart, therefore, good.

G. 12.



Both hands backs up in front. The right over the left w ll toward the forearm, both pointed obliquely downward. Then slide the hand well down beyond the left.

G. 12.

GLIDE.

SLIDE.

DESCEND.

PRECIPITATE.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 13.

G, 13.



GLOVE.

MITTEN.

Motion of putting a glove on the left hand.

Simply sign of clothing put over the hand.

G. 14-

G. 14.



GROW - ING,

GROWTH,

Hold the back of either hand down toward the earth, all the fingers pointed upward. Then raise the hand slowly.

From the ground.

G. 15.

L, 15,



GROW,

Elevate the index of either hand and lower the hand near the ground and then rise it gradually, keeping the index pointed upnard.

As a sprout.

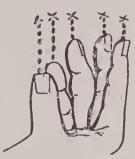
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Gestures.

Equivalents.

G. 16.

G. 16.



GRASS.

Elevate all the fingers of one hand and place the bark of it near the earth. Hold it in that position a moment.

G. 17.



Similar to 14, but the hand does not rise.

G. 17.

GRAVE.

A FUNERAL.

TO BURY,

Hold the hand cup-shape ,hold it level and lower it gradually toward the ground.

18.

A hole in the ground. A burial place. Is GRAVES MANY. Dead sit (there understood).

G, 18.

995 GREASE.

MIXING PAINT.

For ornamenting the person.

Hold the open flat hand palm up in front, then extend the first two fingers of the right hand, and with their ends, rub in a circular norement at the base of the thumb.



Gestieres,

Equiralents.

H. 01.

H. 01.



HALF A DOLLAR.

Hold the bent thumb and index so as to form a circular opening. Then lay the right index across it so as to divide it in halves.

Half of any round object.



H. 1,

HALF.

HALF BREED. HALF ONE WAY. HALF THE OTHER. MONGREL. MIXED BLOOD.

The flat right hand is placed upvight between the breasts. T. en more it left and right from one breast to the other several times.

Η.

Η. 2.



HANDS.

Pat the backs of both hands alternately.

Patting any part of person refers to that part.

2.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

Н. 3.



Hold the palm towards the eyes and look into it as if pleased.

Н. З.

HANDSOME,

A MIRROR.

VANITY.

H, 4.



Hold the hand above the car with the index pointed downward by the neek and draw it upward with a jerk.

H. 4.

HANG.

HUNG.

H. 5.



Extend the left index palm up in front, then crook the right index with back to breast and hang it over the left. H. 5.

HANG,

SUSPEND -ED.

As to hang up clothing, meat or other things.

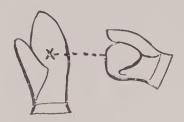


Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 6.

H. 6.



HARD.

ROCK.

METAL.

HARD WOOD ETC,

Hold the open left hand palm facing the body, then thrust the right fist foreibly into the palm of the left. See force, etc., which is struck,

H, 7.

H. 7.



HARD TACK.

instead of thrust.

First make the sign for BREAD, then strike the lower edge of the right hand down on to extended left wrist, it being palm up.

H. 8.

H, 8.



HAT.

BONNET.

Both flat hands palms towards top of head and pointing towards each other are drawn down simultaneously.



Gestures.

Equivalents -

H. 9.



Lay both flat hands on the forchead Н, 9.

HEAD.

FOREHEAD.

This is the only safe distinction between the head and parts of same. See BRAIN, HAIR, EAR, ETC.

H, 10.



Lay one hand over the front of the head.

H. 10.

HEAD.

FOREHEAD.

Simply another form of No. 9.

H. 11.



Hold the open hand toward the car and assume a listening attitude. H. 11.

HEAR.

HARK.

LISTEN.

I AM LISTENING.

OBEDIENCE,

To hear is to obey.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 12.

H. 12.



нот.

НЕАТ.

WARM.

The loosely flexed hands are held above each side of the head, fingers hanging down, and both hands moved downward together.

H. 13.



H. 13.

HEART.

Hang the right hand downward in front of and between the breasts.

H. 14.



H. 14,

HEAP.

MUCH.

In quantity

Make a big sweep with both open hands from downward up in big are, meeting the hands in front and higher than the head, mak-

and higher than the wead, making the outline of a bechive form,



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 15.

H, 15.





HEAVEN.

SKY.



ZENITH.

HIGH ETC.

See H. 16.

Simply point towards the sky with index.

H, 16.





HEAVEN.

Point towards the sky with reverence.

The abode of the righteous, the dwelling place of God. Shaded diagrams distinguish the divine sense from the ordinary in printed matters.

H, 17.

H. 17.





Make as if lifting some heavy weight from the ground.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 18.



Clutch the right fist as if grasping something and thrust it under the left arm. H. 18.

HIDE.

CONCEAL.

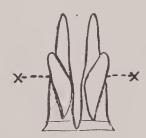
SECRET.

STEALING.

STOLEN.

If for theft, then precede this by CATCH.

H. 19.



The hands palm to palm are drawn quickly apart a short distance.

H, 19.

HIDE.

A SKIN.

TO SKIN.

See skin.

H. 20.



Elevate the thumb and toss the fist toward the person referred to.

H, 20.

HE.

HIM.

HER.

THAT PERSON.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H, 21,



H. 21.

HIM.

HE.

Elevate the thumb and more it nearly straight upward past the front of forehead.

The shaded sign always veferring to God in print.

н. 22.



H. 22.

HIS.

HERS.

ITS.

C'utch the fist, bring it to breast, then throw it from the breast in a back-handed manner. If absent the fist is struck backhanded around to rear. (Shaded signs refers to God in printed matter).

H, 23,



H. 23.

HIS.

THINE.

Simply a rariation of 20, the fist which is carried up and antward forming an upward curve. See 22. The above would not be introduced were it not that learners might take it for a variation in the signification.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 24.

H. 24.



нос.

The right fist back up, starting from near the uose, is moved up and down several times by wrist action and carvied outward at the same time The slang term of voot hog or die is sometimes thus expressed.

H. 25.

H. 25.



HOLE, AN OPENING,

First make a nearly round opening with the thumbs and index fingers of both hands, then leaving the left half in position, place the end of the right index into the vemaining half or between thumb and index of the left hand. As an auger hole. See bag, which inserts the whole hand.

H. 26.

H. 26.



HORSE, SO HIGH.

The right hand back up is drawn from the left to right side of the bady about breast high.

Iaskedhundreds of Indianstatell me the conception, but we no seemed to know. Finally I caught it from a white man saying, "He is a big horse. He is way up here." (sa high), using this same sign.

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 27.



Draw the open right hand back up across the breasts.

H., 27,

HORSE.

PONY.

A horse's back is SO HIGH, drawing the hand across the body at the supposed height of the animal.

H, 28.

H. 28.



Extend the left index about breast high in front, then fork the first two fingers of the right hand and place them astride the left index, then jump both hands forward progressively two or three times.

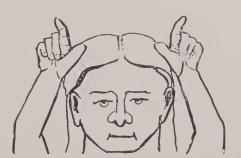
HORSE.

HORSEBACK.

PONY.

RIDING.

H. 29.



Bath crooked index fingers pointed outward and placed on the side of the head.

H, 29.

HORNS.

HORNED STOCK,

The same as eattle. For cow, add male.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 30.





HORROR.
HORRIBLE.
AWFUL.

Elevate both open hands toward sides of head and assume the necessary facial expression to express something extremely horrifying.

TERRIBLE.

H. 31.

Sorry, the diagram does not convey the idea. Leavner must draw upon his imagination to supply deficiency.

H. 31,



HOUSE,

A FRAME OR LOG HOUSE.

The spread fingers are interlocked near their tips, leaving the ends slightly projecting, both hands inclined to center as a gable end of a building.

The projecting ends of the fingers represent projecting ends of logs, common in log houses.

H. 32.

H. 32.



HUMP.

HUMPED BACK.

WILD.

Flace the flat right hand between the shoulder blades and stoop so as to hump the shoulder. As cattle or Buffalo, (probably from the humped shoulders of a Buffalo).



Gestures.

Equivalents.

H. 33.

H. 33.





HUNGER.
HUNGRY.
I AM HUNGRY.
FAMISHED-ING

Stoop forward and saw the belley several times with the open right hand back up.

Hunger cuts one in two.

H. 34.

H. 34.



HURRY! HURRY! HURRY UP! BE LIVELY ETC.

The much-flexed and looselyjointed fingers are flipped outward screral times by wrist motion from below the breasts.

See GO AWAY, ETC.

H. 35.

H. 35.



HUSBAND.

I HAVE A HUSBAND.

The breast is touched with the right index, then the index is carried up in front of face turned back outward as MAN.

Literally, I have a man. The right index being the man. (Possession being understood). A female saying. ME MAN would not be supposed to say, (she was a man.)



Gestures.

Simply indicate yourself by pointing index towards your breast.

1. 2.



Place the end of the vight index inst under the left breast, then move it straight outward, perhaps a little descending.

1. 3.



Gesture precisely as 1. 2., but with reverence, as by uplifted eyes.

Equiralents.

1. 1.

Ι.

ME,

MYSELF.

SELF.

In answer to questions as, whose is this? It means mine.

1, 2,

I BELIEVE.

I THINK.

The nearest single gesture answering to faith, the shaded sign is so termed.

1. 3.

I BELIEVE.

FAITH,

CHRISTIAN BELIEF.

Precisely the same gesture as 1.

2., but shaded to signify the higher sense in print.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

1. 4.



Point or sort of poke the right index toward or even past the ear toward the face. 1.4.

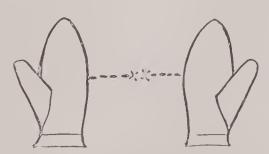
I HEAR.

THE HEARING.

THE EAR.

Sound goes in at the ear.

1, 5.



Both open hands palm up and well apart in front, then move them toward each other slowly until they meet.

1. 5.

ICE.

Ice begins at the shores and closes at the center, as does this gesture.

1. 6.



Elevate the right thumb, extend the right index, other fingers being closed. Then place the hand under the left breast and move it straight outward. 1. 6.

I KNOW IT

KNOWLEDGE,

I UNDERSTAND IT.



Gestures.

Equivalents

1. 7.

1. 7. * *

Both hands precisely as the right in 1. 6, and move them both outward simultaneously and assume a sort of, you can't fool me! look.

I KNOW VERY WELL.

I KNOW WELL ENOUGH.

This is peculiar, as I know it just as well as I want to. (Yet, not vertainly).

1, 8.

1, 8.



Make a nearly round opening with thumb and index of the left hand. Then put the end of the right index into that opening.

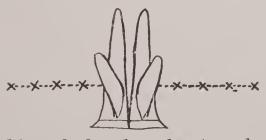
IN.

INSIDE OF.

WITHIN.

TO PUT IN ETC.

1. 9.



Place the hands palm to palm and then draw them apart by several short jerks.

1, 9.

INCREAS - ING.

GETTINF WIDE -R.

EXPANSION. ETC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

1. 10.



Hold the flat left hand back up in front and rub it from wrist to knuckles, back and forth, two or more times. 1, 10.

INDIAN.

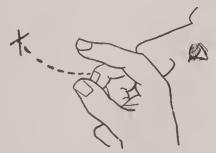
BROWN COLOR.

ONE OF LIKE COLOR.

ANY DARK COLOR.

Rubbing the back of the hand in this manner means color of the skin

I. 11.



Hold the loosely closed fingers near the lips and snap them outward. 1. 11.

I SAY.

SAID.

TALKED.

I say to you signified by carrying the fingers well toward the party addressed.

1, 12.



The open flat hand palm up near the chin, then carry the hand straight outward.

1. 12 .

I SAY TO YOU.

I TELL YOU,

I will explain or interpret it, (carrying the words from the mouth.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

1, 13.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and place them before the eyes and move them ontward.

1.13,

I SEE.

TO SEE.

SIGHT.

1. 14.



Scratch the pulm of one hand with the fingers of the other.

1. 14.

ITCHING.

THE ITCH.

1. 15.



Extend the right index, place it it above the breast and thrust it with a twist, so as to leave the hand palm out after passing the breast.

I. 15.

I THINK.

I THOUGHT.

A THOUGHT,

(.1 thought pierces the heart.)



Gestures.

Equivalents.

1, 16.



1. 16.

I THINK NOT.

I BELIEVE IT NOT

See above sign No. 15 for I think.
Ifter the hand reaches the end
of that gesture wave it flat back
handed to the right.

1. 17.



stroke signifies NOT.

With the sign for separate it is the proper way to express a DIF-

FERENCE OF OPINION, US

I think different. The back hand

1. 17.

I WANT -IT

I AM IN NEED -OF.

Hook the right index and draw it from forehead to past the rhin in an outward curve. To say I want that thing, point to it and then make this sign or point and sign, GIVE ME.

1. 18.



1. 18.

I WILL NOT.

Sometimes wrongly used when only no is meant.

I DEFY YOU.

A RATTLE SNAKE,

Or the sound of its rattle, a warning sign.

Elevate the right index abore the side of the head and shake it rapidly to imitate the rattling of the snake's tail.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

1. 19.

1. 19.



Clinch the fists and push them back and forth past the sides with a show of more or less determination. Assume a determined expression of face and pose of body to suit the degree of force intended.

I MUST.

I WILL.

I SHALL.

1, 20,



Directions as in 1, 19. Then wave the opened right hand to the right rather emphatically.

1, 20.

I MUST NOT.

I DARENOT.

I WILL NOT.

I SHALL NOT ETG.

Simply add sign for NOT.

J. 1.



Hold the right index back out as man toward the right side of neek and raise it up to arms length, twisting the wrist and forearm, so as to show the palm out at extreme height. J, 1.

JESUS.

A SAVIOUR.

SAVED,

This is derived from the idea of SAFE. See that sign under S.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

J. 2.



Place the arms akimbo and move the elbows up and down in a fidgety manner.

J. 2.

JEALOUS -

FIDGETY. ETC.

J. 3.

J. 3.



Place the ends of the thumb and fingers of right hand on a level surface and jump them forward two or three times. JUMP.

A FROG.

K. 1.



Hold the left index up in front, grasp it with the right hand and draw it to the breast.

K. 1.

KEEP -IT.

Take it to yourself.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

K. 2.



Hold the loosely flexed fingers as high as the head and thrust the hand obliquely downward as if jubbing something lying on the ground.

K. 2.

KILL.

MURDER.

WICKEDNESS.

It is wicked to kill.

К, З.



Tightly clinch the right fist and thrust it obliquely downward very forcibly.

К. З.

KILL ETC.

This is simply another form of K 2.

K. 4.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, raise above right side of the head and whirl them with the sun.

K. 4.

MEDICINE.

But often made for KIOWA. See K. 4. and 5. (This sign circles with the sun therefor in perfect order).



Gestures.

Equivalents.

K. 5.



Hold the forked fingers above the head and whirl against the sun.

K. 5.

CRAZY.

FOOLISH.

RATTLE BRAIN.

Often erroneously made for Kiowa. Kiowas are neither fools nor crazy.

K. 6.



The open right hand palm up above the right ear is moved upward, outward and downward, and repeated several times.

K. 6.

KIOWA.

This is their true sign and refers to a former practice of clipping the hair above the right ear to show off ear ornaments. The motion has been mistaken for a circle but it was not originally.

K. 7.

K. 7.



The open right hand palm toward the face is thrust obliquely upward past the lips. KNIFE.

In old time when a single kni, c served a whole family, a person took piece of meat in his left hand, put it in his mouth and then thrust the knife between his hand and lips and passed both knife and meat to the next, hence, this gesture.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

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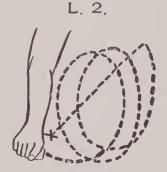
L. 1.



LAME.

Close right fist, crook the right elbour, and supposing a fulcrum in the forearm. Lower the fist, raising the elbour at the same time repeat a few times.

2



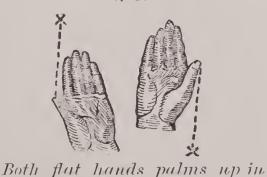
This movement is intended for that of a lame horse, but refers to persons as well.

L. 2.

A LARRIETT.

Make as if holding a coil of rope in the left hand and also in the right, then swing that in the right around the head and pretend to throw it far, jerk the outstretched hand back as if bringing a beast to a stand.

L. 3.



front. Thrust ontward and draw

back alternately several times.

To catch a wild brute with a rope.

L, 3.

LAW,

A RULE.

A PLAN.

A ROAD.

A CUSTOM.

I show you the road, is the term for, I show you how. A law is a road in which we must walk.



Gestiures.

Equivalents.

L. 4.

L. 4.



Fi st sign for law (road), then after making that, move two or three times, bring the hands close together as book.

I.AW BOOK.
THE BIBLE.

A SACRED BOOK,

Remember that all shaded diagrams take on a dirine sense in print hence, law book is the sacred law book or the Bible.

L 5.



(lose right fist, hold overback of the right shoulder, then more it forward by jerks.

L. 5.

LEAD.

DID LEAD.

Comes from leading a horse with a halter over the shoulder, the horse's head maving up and down vauses the jerks.

L. 6.



All of the fingers of the right hard much flexed are held high up and bent so as to point down, then lower the hand slowly, carrying it in rarious side and wavelike motions to near the ground. L. 6.

A LEAF,

A FALLING LEAF,

AUTUMN.

A leaf falls with a wave-like motion.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

L. 7.

LEGGINS.

PANTS.

STOCKINCS.

The spread thumb and index drawn aver any part, denote the clothing for that part.

L. 8.

LEVEL.

PLAIN,

PRAIRIE,

Any level surface, as a table or floor. See BED.

L. 9 AND 10,

LIFE.

ALIVE.

Maving about, well, etc. (Whereever lines cross, it shows a twist of the wrist). The shaded sign is used in connection with dirine subject matter.

L. 7.

The spread thumb and index aredrawn upward from the ankle.

L. 8-



Hill the open left hand palm up, vather low, but level, then cross it with the open right, and from that position, carry the right around to the right, maintaining the same level all through.

L. 8 AND 9.





Elevate the right index in front and move it in a harizontal figure 0, showing the hand first one side out, then the other.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

L. 11.

L. 11.

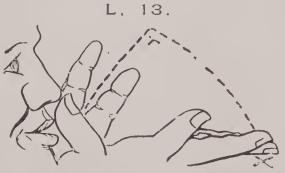


The index is usually extend d, hand hanging at the side, and make one big sweep from rear to front, looking toward the party addressed.

L. 12.



Fork the two first fingers of the right hand, and with palm toward face, thrust them across the face near the lips.



Sign first as in L. 12, then from the end of that gesture, wave the open right hand back-handed to the right. LIE DOWN,

LYING THERE.

When a stranger is staying over night, if he has his own blankets, the women will make room, spread some sort of bedding on the ground, and looking at you, make this gesture

L. 12.

LIE. A FALSEHOOD,

DON'T BELIEVE IT-HIM.

Two tongues. This sign is made across the face, as if it might signify CROSS PURPOSES, but more likely, so as to distinguish it from I SEE.

L. 13.

LIE NOT.

I LIE NOT,

Simply make sign for lie, and continue on into the sign of not, being two ideas in one compound gesture,



Gestures.

Equivalents.

L, 14.



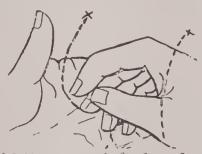
L. 14.

LIGHTNINC.

Elevate the right index in front and shake it riolently, shrinking back as if afraid,

Sometimes used for THUNDER STORM.

L, 15.



L. 15.

LOCK.

KEY.

TO LOCK.

Fold the open left hand palm up in front, then make as it holding a key in the fingers of the right and motion of turning the key in a lock. To unlock is to twist hand to the right and throw the hands apart.

L. 16.



L, 16.

LOOK.

SEE.

LOOK AROUND.

right hand, re is and hold backs up level in front of the eyes, then more them slowly from one side of the risual angle to the other back

and forth a few times.

See I see, which is a little different.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

L. 17.





Hold the right hand back up in front and bring the left back up across it.

LOST.

ASTRAY.

ASIDE,

L. 18.





Cross the wrist on the breast and press the bosom. Assume a facial expression agreable to the nature of the freling.

LOVE.

I LOVE.

AFFECTION.

(The shaded sign signifies Christian love.

L. 19.

L. 19.



Precisely the same as 18, but with verence as by casting the eyes upward, etc.

LOVE DIVINE.

Christianity or love of divine things. Christian fellowship.



Gestures

Equivalents.

M, 1.



Clinch the right fist, place it at right side of the head and thrust it violently across in front of forehead. Assume a displeased facial expression.

M, 2 AND 3.



Elevate the right index back out in front of the face.

M. 4.



Gesture precisely like M. 2.

M. 1.

MAD.

ANGRY.

Inother way is to twist the clinched fist in front of forehead.

See ANGER,

M, 2 AND 3.

MAN.

MALE.

The male of any creature. An old man is shown by the bent index held into same manner. The left index is ANOTHER MAN.

ivi. 4.

MAN-

But shaded used in a divine sense in print, as, THE SON OF MAN or man of God might be used in connection with the name of a sacred personage.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

M. 5.



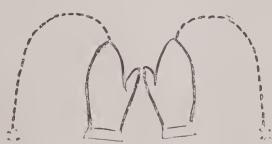
Make motion of scratching from lower lip to chin, as if painting stripes in that part. M. 5,

MANDAN

(1 tribal sign)

Mandans used to ornament their chins with stripes of paint.

M. 6.



The two flat hands backs up are placed, thumbs to whing in front of the body, and the right raised and carried over in an arc to right and the left in the same manner to the left simultaneously.

M. 6.

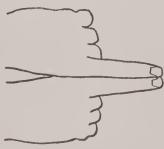
MANY.

MUCH.

VERY MUCH, OR MANY,

See HEAP.

M. 7.



Place both index fingers backs up, side by side, held level in front.

M. 7.

MARRIED.
TO MARRY.

To lie side by side. See PART-NERS, which are upright.

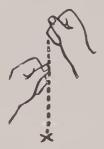


Gestures.

Equivalents.

M. 8.

M. 8.



MATCH.
STRIKE A LIGHT,
A FLINT.

Hold the left fist in front, then make as if striking a match against the left fist. Sometimes by striking it horizontally.

M. 9.



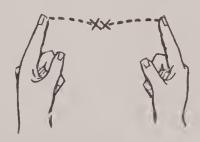
right hand, hold them above the right side of the head and whirl them in a horizoutal circle with M. 9.

MEDICINE.

MYSTERIOUS.

See Kiowa fool, etc.

<u>M. 10.</u>



M. 10.

MEET.
WE MEET,

Elevate both index fingers at their respective sides of face and draw them slowly toward each other meeting in front.

The two index fingers are two men, therefore, they stand in any plural sense, as MEN, people, WE, US See segarate.



Gestures

Equiralents.

M. 11.





Draw the loosely flexed open right hand upward, inward and downward, as if drawing it over some oval object. MELON.

moves as directed.

M. 12.

Some hold the left hand palm up to indicate the undex side of

the melon, while the right hand

M. 12.



POSSESSION,



Clutch the right hand to fist, draw it close to the breast bone or thrust it around the right breast to the breast bone.

M. 13.

I hare it and I am going to hold on to it. It is quite essential to comprehend this sign before one can rightly understand, HIS. THINE or HIS belonging to one who is absent.

M. 13.

The open bands pointed downward and over each other are thrust first to one side then to the other. Repeat several times MINGLE.
MIX,
CONFUSION.
A MISTAKE.

Things are badly mixed, all is confusion, etc. Mistakes in language are thus gestured.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

M. 14.

M. 14.



WIRAGE.

The open—hand is held—back toward the face and pushed up and down several times in front of the eyes, advance a step or two during this gesture.

The advance shows that though you go towards it, it is still obscure. It may be made plainer by sign of I SEE or look, while the up and down morement continues.

M. 15.

M. 15.



MOCCASIN

Draw the spread thumb and iu-, dex over the foot, from toe to heel.

Clothing for the feet.

M. 13.

M, 16.



MOTHER.

Make believe take hold of the vight nipple with thumb and fingers of the vight hand and draw the hand straight outward.

Drawing out the left breast is the sign of FATHER. The right breast is nearest, so is our mother.



Gestures

Equivalents.

M. 17..



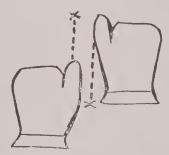
M. 17.

MOUNTAIN.

A HILL ETC.

The right fist palm to face is thrust upward to arms length once.

M. 18.



M. 18.

MOUNTAINS.

Both fists palms toward the face and thrust up and down alternately.

M. 19.



A mountain range is first this sign, then draw in the air an outline of some well-known mountains in that range or a general outline of the range of peaks.

M. 19.

MUD.

TRACKS.

Both fists thrust downward and druwn upward alternately several times.

The gesture tries to imitate the difficulty of traveling in deep mud



Gestures

Equivalents.

M. 20.





Hold the much-flexed and limber-jointed hands and wrists above the ears and flop them by wrist action.

MULE.

BIG EARS,

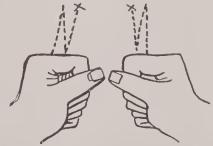
The idea is to imitate the movement of a mule's ears. I got laughed at for moving the hands forward and backward instead of the flopping, (which is not characteristic of a mule)

M. 21.

M. 21.



I MUST.



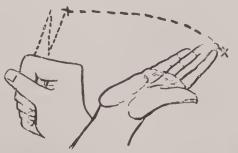
Clinch the fists and more them back and forth from front to rear several times, holding the forearm horizontally.

I WILL ETC.

MUST NOT.

M. 22.

M. 22.



Precisely as M. 21, and the right hand is opened flat and waved back-handed to the right.

I SHALL OR YILL NOT.

A compound of must and not.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

M. 23.



Hold the palm of the right hand over the mouth.

M. 23.

MUTE.

SILENCE.

M. 24.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, others being closed. Place in front of forehead or higher, and twist the wrist so as to show both sides of the hand several times.

M. 24.

MYSTERY.

MYSTERIOUS.

The forked fingers show two diverging thoughts concerning God or things unknown. Therefore, mysterious. See PERHAPS.

N. 1.



First lay the right index between the lips, then throw it downward, pointed to the right oblique. N. 1.

NAME.

CALL.

To call the name of a person or thing. (Throwing the word from the mouth).



Gestures.

Equivalents.

N. 2,

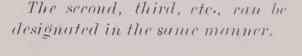
N. 2-



NEIGHBOR.
THE NEXT.

Spread the fingers of the left hand, turning the thumb in to palm, then hold them to view, and with the right index, pull the left towards the thumb and point out the middle finger.

ы, З.

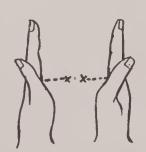


N. 3.



Hold the open right hand in front of the right breast and draw it to the breast.

N. 4.



Hold both flat hands facing each other about six inches apart, then draw them nearer each other. NEAR. YOUNG.

I do not quite understand why this stands for young, unless it signifies near the breast or a nursing child. FOR THIS SIDE OF, as on this side of a mountain. First sign of MOUNTAIN, then NEAR.

N, 4.

NEAR.

CLOSE.

NARROW.



Gestures

Equivalents

N. 5.



N. 5.

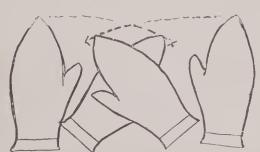
NEEDLE.

SEWING.

Crook the right index, extend the left and then run the crooked right back down across the left index and draw it back towards the body, repeat once or twice.

This seems an awkward way to sew, but it is sewing with a leather string, as putting shoe strings in shoes or sewing through holes without a needle.

IV. U.



N. 6.

NIGHT.

DARKNESS.

COVERED.

The hands backs up are drawn from each side and crossed before the body.

See DAY, LOST, etc.

N. 7.



NO.

NOT.

The right hand back out is wared to the right, being nearly palm up at end of the movement.

A general sign of dissent or negation.

. 7.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

N. 8.



The right index held vertically is struck towards the person addivessed.

N. 8.

NOW.

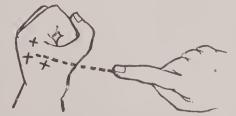
TO-DAY.

RIGHT NOW.

.1s, now! I am going.

O. 1.





Hold the left fist in front of face and thrust the right against it.

OBSTRUCT -ION,

Run against something, as to run against an impassable object or mountain.



Touch the shoulder where the star or stripes usually woru.

0.2.

OFFICER,



Gestures.

Equivalents.

О, З.

0.3.



Touch the left shoulder with both index fingers.

OFFICER,

GENERAL,



O. 4.



Touch the left shoulder in two places.

OFFICER.

CAPTAIN.

O, 5.

0.5.



Fork the two first fingers of the right hand and draw them across the left arm below the shoulder.

OFFICER.

SERGEANT.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

0.6.



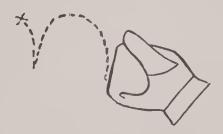
Draw one stroke with the right index across the left arm below the shoulder.

0, 6.

OFFICER.

CORPORAL.

0.7.



The vight fist is held near the right side of the vight breast, then raised, earvied forward and lowered, and advanced by one or two such morement.

0.7.

OLD.

AGE-

A CANE,

As an old man walks with a cane.

0. 8.



The right index is bent inward and extended back out as man.

0.8.

OLD.

An old man is decrepted, so the sign for MAN is thus modified. There are other signs, but this is the best to use.

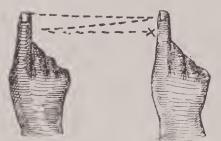


Gestures

Equivalents.

O. 9.

0, 9.



The right index is held vertically in front at right side and palm out, then it is carried the same side out to the left side of front. Stop there a moment and return to the right side of front. Repeat once or twice.

0 10,

ONLY. ALONE.

ONE ONLY.

SOLITARY.

SOLITUDE.

The shaded sign is only used in reference to Christ, as God's ONLY SON.

O. 10.

Opposite points or principles.

O. 11.

OPPOSITE.

Point both index fingers toward each other.

O. 11.

Both index fingers pointed toward each other and moved to and from each other several times.

QUARRELLING.

OPPOSITION.

See Q. 1.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

0.12.

0.12.



The flat hand back up is passed back and forth an inch or two above the head.

OSAGE,

A tribal sign and refers to the roach, as they cut their hair or shave their heads, so as to leave it sticking up in this way. Other tribes makes such a dress of horse hair and fasten it by tieing.

Q, 13.

O. 13.



Take hold of the back hair and raise the hands.

OTTER.
OTTER SKIN.

In otter skin is cut in halves through back and tail. The two halves answer for two ornamental extensions of the two braids of the hair and are worn by many tribes, as Kiowas, Comanchees, etc.

0.14.

OTTER.

Refers to twisting or winding the back hair with otter skin, (1) skin is worth from \$8 to \$12).

0. 14,



Grasp the back hair with the left haad, and with the right index make a spiral movement downward.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

O. 15.

0.15.



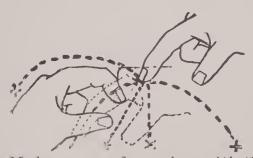
Both fists clutch the air, drawn to breasts, pushed over the breasts until they meet on the breast bonc.

0.16.

OUR.

Our fist gestured in this way is MINE, and by law of plurality both fists equal OUR. See WE MEET, WE PART, FOOT RACE, DO TO ME, DONE IT TO US, etc.

0. 16.



Make a round opening with the thumb and index of the left hand then put the right index into that opening, which is IN This gesture is the reverse of that position.

O. 17.

OUT-OF.
CUTSIDE-OF.
TAKEN FROM OUT-OF.

See in, inside of.

0.17.



Hold the left hand back up in front, then the right hand thumb up is carried over the back of the left, (cut has thumb on the wrang side of hand).

OVER. TO GO OVER.

As over the country, a ridge or mountains. See across

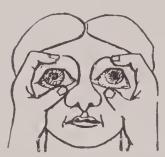


Gestures.

Equivalents.

0, 18,

O. 18.



OWL, BIG EYES,

Thumbs and index are crooked around the eyes, and eyes opened very wide.

P. 1.

P. 1.



PACK-ING.

Strike the back of the left hand with the palm of the right, first on the thumb side, then on the little finger side. Repeat two or three times.

Getting ready to more.

P, 2.

P. 2.



PADDLE.
A CANOE.
TO GO IN A CANOE,

The left fist is pushed from, while the right is drawn toward the body, the left fist being a foot or more above the right.

Motion of paddling.



Gestures

Equivalents.

P. 3.



P, 3,

PAINT-ING.

Brush the right cheek downward two or three strokes with the ends of fingers of right hand.

Motion of painting stripes on the cheek, as is the custom of some tribes.

P. 4.



P. 4.

PALSY.

Both hands backs up in front, then lower them with a quirering motion.

From the shaking of the hands of feeble or palsied people.

P. 5.

P. 5.



PAPER MONEY.

Motion of counting of bills by drawing them from the left hand.

(Drawn towards the wrist means THIN, SHARP).



Gestures.

Equivalents.

P. 6.

P, 6.



Extend the left index and lay the right across it at any part of it, which will show the proportion

intended.

PART.

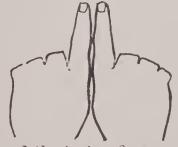
A PIECE.

HALF.

Any fraction.

P. 7.





Extend the index fingers side by side and hold them vertically in front.

PARTNERS.

Two persons who stand in business relationship. See ACCOMPANY, MARRIED, EQUAL, ETC.

P. 8.

P. 8.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and hold them above the right ear, palm to front. Can use both hands.

PAWNEE,

WOLF.

FOX.

CUNNINC ETC.



Gestures

Equivalents.

P. 9.

P. 9.



PEAK.

Gather all the fingers of one hand in a bunch and hold them revtically in front higher than the head.

A one-handed sign for a TEPEE.

P. 10.

P. 10.



A PIECE.

A LITTLE.

A FRACTION.

A PART.

Measure off the proportion intended on the inside of the fovefinger with the throub nail of the same hand, the other fingers being turned down.

P. 11,

P. 11.



PEMICAN.

MAKING PEMICAN.

Hold the left hand palm up in front of face. Blow across the palm, at the same time making the sign of fire with the right hand

Five and blowing away, the scum arising from boiling meat.



Gestures

Equivalents

P. 12.

P 12.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and hold them pointed to near the heart and twist the wrist back and forth several times.

PERHAPS.

MAY BE SO.

UNDECIDED,

UNCERTAIN,

.11ways add this gesture in cases of uncertainty, because a mistake is a lie.

P. 13.

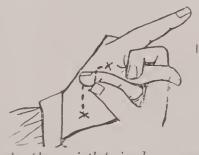


Form a circle with the thumb of the left hand and lay the ball of the vight index on the opening once or twice. P. 13.

PIPE.

This is the motion of crowding tobacco in the bowl of a pipe.

P 14.



Hook the right index over the left than trom the under side, extend the left index, bring the leands to aim, then suap the thumb and middle finger of the left hand so as to make a report.

P. 14.

PISTOL.

A very natural imitation of shooting with a pistol or shotgun.



Gestures

Equivalents.

P. 15.



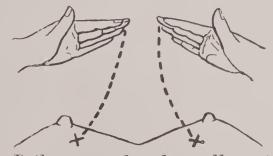
Both flat hands backs up carried outward and downward toward another person.

P. 15.

PITY,
MERCY.
I BLESS YOU.
BLESSED.
THANKS

Pity or thanks toward another.

P. 16.



Both open hands well out, thumbs up, and draw them to the breasts.

P. 16.

PITY ME.

HAVE MERCY ON ME.

P. 17 AND 18-



Simply point the index toward some object or place.

P. 17 AND 18.

POINT
THAT, THIS OR THERE.

1 . g\$

Gestures.

Equivalents.

P. 19.



Scratch the breast bone outward on both sides.

P. 19.

POOR.

LEAN.

. Ipplies to persons or animals.

P. 20.



Hold both flat hands palms up, high above the sides of the head.

P. 20.

PRAY.

PRAYER.

WORSHIP.

GOD sees my hands, that there is no blood on them, I am innocent.

P. 21.



Flat hands palms up, the right crossed over the left, then carry the right to the right and the left to the left as far apart as convenient.

P. 21.

PRAIRIE.

LEVEL.

A PLAIN,

Any level surface.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

P. 22.



The flat hand at breast, draw it palm against the breast to below heart and cavry it from there straight out, as GOOD.

P. 22,

PEACE.

CONTENTED.

SATISFACTION, ETC.

My heart is smooth towards you or I am perfectly satisfied.

P. 23.



Thrust the right index over the feet past the toes in several directions.

P. 23.

PRICKLY PEAR.

CACTUS.

Hurts the feet. See ACHE.

P, 24.



Motion of turning down the screw of a copying press, using the right hand.

P. 24.

PRINT -ING-

A PRINTING PRESS.

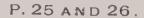
A copying press gives the idea to the Indians who see it in use at ageneies.



Gestures

Equivalents.

P. 25 AND 26.





Cross the wrists behind the back and bend slightly forward.

PRISONER. CAPTIVE.

SUBMISSION.

P. 27.

P. 27.



Cross the wrists in front. See arrest, etc.

PRISONER. ARRESTED. TO ARREST.

Either of these gestures will be recognized.

P. 28.

P. 28.



Hold the right hand back up in front, and with the right, back up

directly under it. Snap the thumb

and fingers

PRIVATE TALK. SECRET. CONFIDENTIAL.

Snapping words under cover. Young folks pull a blanket over their heads, and their right to se-crecy is sacred. No one thinks of any impropriety or disturbs them.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

P. 29,



Make a walking movement with the first two flugers of the hand on some level surface. P. 29.

PROGRESS-ION,

Step by step, etc.

P 30.



Hold left hand cup-shaped against the waist, then motion of taking something out of the left. Stoop, drop seeds near the feet, advance a step and repeat the gesture.

P. 3Q.

PLANT.

FIELD.

FARM.

GARDEN,

Motion of deopping corn in hills.

Q. 1,



Point the index flugers toward each other and move them to and from each other several times.

QUARREL -ING.
OPPOSITION.
PIÇKINGATEACHOTHER

Q. 1.

The two index fingers are two men and they oppose each other.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

Q. 2.

Q, 2.



All of the fingers are pointed towards each others and moved to and from each others several times. QUARRELING.
A BATTLE.
ADVANGE AND
RETREAT.

Many people are opposed to each other.

Q. 3.

Q. 3.



Reach right hand over the left shoulder and make as if drawing an arrow from others on the back.

4.

QUIVER,

Quivers are usually made made of the skin of some animal. Are not much in use since the introduction of firearms.

Q, 4.

Q.

Hold the open left hand thumb up well out in front, then thrust the right quickly past it, touching the palm so as to make a report. QUICK.

FAST.

RAPID.

.4s an arrow flies fast, etc.



Gestures

Equivalents.

R. 1.

R. 1.

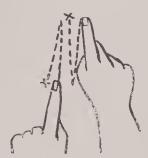


Elerate the thumb and little finger of the right hand. Others closed. Strike them back and forth on the right side of the head.

RABBIT.

R. 2.





Extend both index fingers backs up and reciprocate them several times.

RACE-ING.
FOOT RACE.

Two men, first one, then the other gets a little ahead.

R, 3.

R, 7.



All the fingers of the hand held loosely-flexed and pointed downward are dropped toward the ground with two or more stops.

RAIN -INC.

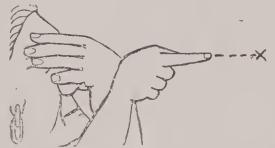
Water dripping from ends of fingers.



Gestures

Equivalents.

R. 4.



Hold the flat left hand over the eyes, then thrust the right index outward from the back of the left hand.

R. 4.

RASH.

HEADSTRONG.

HEADLONG.

RISKY,

RECKLESS.

Going at anything in a blind manner or inconsiderately,

R. 5.



Elevate the right index in front and shake it rapidly from right to left, back and forth several times. R. 5.

RATTLE.

RATTLE SNAKE,

WARNING.

DEFIANCE.

I WILL NOT.

From the warning of a rattle snake,

R. 6.



Hold the spread fingers of the left hand in front and draw the end of right index between them.

R. 6.

RAVINES.

GULLEYS,

DITCHES.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

R. 7.



Motion of rubbing a round spot or circle of paint on the cheek. R. 7.

RED. WICHITA INDIAN.

R. 8.



Hold the left forearm and open hand palm up in front, then beginning at the wrist, touch the forearm between the wrist and elbow in several places

R. 9.

R. 8.

REPEAT IT.
OFTEN.
DO IT AGAIN.
AGAIN AND AGAIN.

R. 9.

RICH.

The state of the s

Motion of raking off money from a gambling table.



Gestures

Equivalents.

R. 10.

R, 10.



RICH.

Stretch both arms far apart, then bring the open hands together as a peak over the head.

Plenty hereabouts.

R. 11.

R. 11.



RIDE -ING.

A PONY.

A HORSE.

Extend the left index, fork the first two fingers of the right hand and stride the left index, the right thumb showing outside of the left hand. Then progress them in an up and down morement.

A man on a horse.

R, 12.

R, 12,



RIDGE.

Hook the right index over the open left hand, (from the inside).

Gestures.

Equivalents.

R. 13.



Right hand back up, thumb touching the breast bone. Then carry the hand straight out R, 13.

RIGHT.

GOOD.

ALL RIGHT.

Level with the heart.

R. 14.



Make sign of drink from cupshaped hand, then more that cup in a sinuous movement, the hand descending gradually duving the gesture.

R. 14.

RIVER.

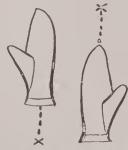
CREEK.

BROOK.

A STREAM.

Water running sinuous and falling.

R. 15.



Both open hands palms up and reciprocated back and forth several times.

R. 15.

ROAD.

TRAIL.

PATH.

A LAW.

A GUIDE.

A PLAN.

The way how to do.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

R. 16.



Put the right fist under the chin, then throw it to arms length in front.

R. 16.

ROPE.

HALTER.

See string.

R- 17-



First hold the right thumb and index a little apart, (say half an inch). This is a rosabud, now raise the right index upward and it opens as a flower.

R. 17.

ROSEBUD.

A ROSE.

Indians use the bud of the wild rose as food in time of scarcity

S. 1.



The loosely-flexed fingers pointed toward the heart and carried around several times in a circle with the sun.

S. 1.

SAD -NESS.

SORROW.

TROUBLED.

The heart is all stirved up.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 2.



Same as S. 1, but after circling, make as if laying the heart on the ground.

S. 2,

SAD -NESS.

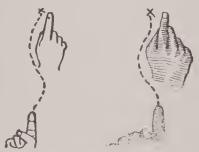
SORROW.

GRIEF,

ANGUISH ETC.

My heart is broken. I am all broken with trouble.

S. 3 AND 4.



The index as man starts from the right side of the neck and thrust up to arms length with a twist of the wrist during the upward movement. S. 3 AND 4.

SAFE.

I GOT SAFE.

I ESCAPED.

I squirmed or wriggled ont of difficulty. In print, the shaded sign has reference to one who is saved in a Christian sease.

S. 5.



Touch the end of tongue with tip of right index, carry the same hand, closed to fist, back up outward from the lips, letting it fly open at the end of morement. S. 5.

SALT,

SOUR.

BITTER.

A compound sign of taste and bad.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 6.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, hold them near the floor or ground at side of foot and then twist the wrist back and forth several times.

S. 6.

SATAN.

THE SPIRIT BAD.

BAD MEDICINE.

EVIL.

SIN.

Mystery concerning things "low down" Base or lower regions, the kingdom of Satan, etc.

S. 7.



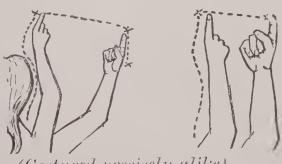
Hold the left forearm in front and saw it with the thin elge of the open right hand.

S. 7.

SAW.

Sometimes incorrectly made for Cheyenne. See that sign.

S. 8 AND 9.



(Gestured precisely alike)

S. 8 AND 9,

A SAVED MAN,

SALVATION.

This is the same gesture as SAFE, with the right index moved from the safe point out in front or to one side and shown as MAN. (A compound of safe and m(an).



Gestieres.

Equivalents.

S. 10-





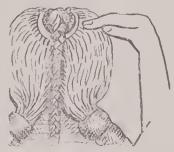
Carry the open hand back up, close to top of head, around in a civele with the sun.

SCALP.

I WILL SCALP YOU.

S. 11.





Simply point to it with the index jinger. SCALPLOCK.

S. 12.

SCARCE.

WHERE,

WHICH PLACE.



Extend the right index back up and point it in several directions.

If scarce, where can one find it? See where.

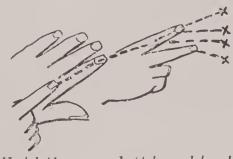
S. 12.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 13.

S. 13.



SCOUT -ING.
ADVANCE GUARD.

Hold the open left hand back up and painted outward in front then fork the first two fingers of the right hand, pass them backs up, over and beyond the ends of fingers of the left hand, then thrust them from side loside several times. One who goes ahead of the main body and looks around. (The left hand represents the main body).

S. 14.

S. 14.



SEARCH.

Fork the first two finders of the right hand and place them before the eyes, look down and move the forked fingers from side to side,

Look on the ground for it. See LOOK.

S. 15.

S. 15.



SEE! TO SEE. SIGHT. I SAW.

LOOK.

Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and place them before the eyes.

The ends of the fingers answer to to eyes directed in that direction. See LOOK.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 16.



S. 16.

SEES ME.

SAW ME.

Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and point them to

your own eyes.

Seen by another.

S. 17.



S. 17.

SEND.

SENT AWAY.

The flat right hand is swung back-handed from the left breast to arms length at the right side.

To send off, as to send a letter or package.

S. 18.



S. 18.

SHACKLE. TO HOBBLE,

Simply grasp the ankle with the hand.

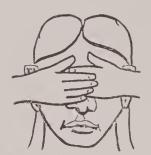
Indians secure their horses by hobbling.



Gestures

Equivalents.

S. 19.



Hold the hands over the eyes.

S. 19.

SHAME.

BASHFUL.

SHAME ON YOU.

For bashful leave a part of one eye peeping over or between the fingers. See B, 31,

S. 20.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand and make a shearing motion with them on the side of head.

S, 20.

SHAVE HEAD.

SHEARS.

CUT THE HAIR.

A tribal sign for shared heads.

S. 21.



Both hands enp-shaped and placed palmt up near each other, so as to enclose a shell-like carity.

S. 21.

SHELL.

A hollow sphere or oval shape closed vessel, or covered basket.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 22.



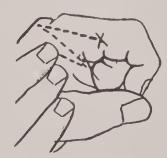
Make spiral curves from above ears outward with ends of index fingers.

S. 22.

SHEEP.

CROOKED HORNS.

S. 23.



Form a circular opening with thumb and index of the left hand, then rub the bent thumb and index while in that position. S, 23.

SHINE.

GLISTEN.

GLIMMER.

SPARKLE.

A SUNBEAM.

S. 24.



Draw the spread thumb and index from toe to heel over the foot S. 24.

SHOES.

This is a sign of any covering of the foot, as a stocking, moceasin or shoe Add WHITE MAN for shoe.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 25.



The right index horizontal at right side is thrust forward with a suakr-like morement.

S. 25.

SNAKE.

SHOSHONE INDIAN. BANNOCK INDIAN.

See Coumachee,

S. 26.





The loosely-flexed hands are waved inward and outward from the part affected by wrist action.

SICK.

Fever or inflamation in stomach we bowels.

S. 27.



Form a circle with all the ends of fingers of the vight hand and varry them over and over in a circle in front of the mouth.

S. 27.

SING -ING.

A SONG

PRAISE.

Sound vevolving.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S 28.



Right fist is struck straight downward towards the ground.

S. 28,

SIT -DQWN. SIT -THERE.

I LIVE HERE.

HERE.

COUNTRY.

KINGDOM.

Compounds with adverbs and nouns.

S. 29.



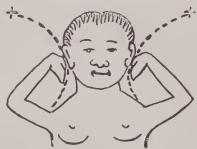
Open right hand back up is drawn across the throat.

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SIOUX PONCA.

Cut throat is the name given to all branches of the Sioux or Dakota Indians.

S. 30.



Both loosely flexed hands are flopped upward simultaneously from the side of the neck by wrist and elbow movements.

٤, 30.

SKIN. TO SKIN A BEAST.

A BUFFALO.

A HIDE.

Motion of drawing the skin over the head of unimals.



Gestuves

Equivalents.

S. 31.



The extended index fingers backs down, ends bent upward and both thrust forward even with each other.

S, 31.

SLED SLEIGH -ING.

A DRAG.

S, 32.



Close eyes and incline head towards the palm of hand. S. 32.

SLEEP.

I WANT TO SLEEP.

A very natural sign.

S, 33.



Same as \$ 32, but lie both index fingers together and invline the head towards them. S. 33.

SLEEP WITH,

I WANT TO SLEEP WITH.

The two index fingers represent two persons, and SLEEPING (side by side).



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 34.

S. 34,

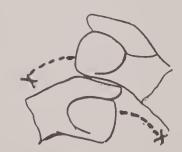


SLOW,

Both palms together, thumbs sticking up, more them slowly forward by short stops,

S. 35.

S. 35.



SMALL.

Shove the right fist over the left, both being close to the breasts.

FEW.

S. 36.

S. 36.



SMELL.

SCENT.

ODOR.

Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, stride the nose with them, pointed either up or down.

Add good for pleasing scent, and bad for offensive odors.



Gestures

Equivalents.

S. 37,

S. 37.



SNOW.

The loosely-flexed fingers of the right hand pointed downward and moved in a horizontal circle with the sun.

Snow is the same sign as vaiu, but is whivled around as it falls.

S. 38.

S. 38.



SOAP. WASH THE HANDS.

Motion of washing hands or clothes. (Twist the wrist).

S. 39.

S, 39.



SATIN.

SILK,

SOFT.

SMOOTH,

VELQET.

Rub the ends of fingers and ball of thumb together on a handker-chief, lappell or cloth.

Any fine goods.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 40

S 40.



POWER -FUL.

STRONG,

Hold the open left hand in front and strike the lower side of the fist into it forcibly.

See HARD, metal, rock, etc.

S. 41.

S. 41.



SOLDIER -S

Place both fists backs up in front, thumbs touching and draw them slowly apart, being careful to keep them in a straight line.

Knuckles all in a line.

S. 42.

S. 42.



SON.
A YOUNG MAN.
A SHORT MAN,

Elevate the right index back ont as man, then lower it a little.

This shaded sign is used in print in such sentences as the SON OF GOD. In other cases add BORN.



Gestures

Equivalents.

S. 43.



First revolve the hand near the heart, then make as if laying the heart on the ground

S. 43.

SORROW.

SAD -NESS.

GRIEF.

MOURNING,

The sume as SAD.

S. 44.



First with right index draw a rude outtine of a map in the palm of the left hand, then put the cud of index on the part of the imaginary map where the source is lovated.

S. 44.

SOURCE.

A SPRING.

HEAD OF A STREAM,

S. 45.



Hold the left hand cup-shaped on the waist, then make as if taking grain out of that cup and scattering it over the ground. S. 45.

SOW.

SCATTER..

FARMING.

Motion of sowing grain broad-cast.

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Gestures

Equivalents.

S. 46.

S. 46.



Lay the backs of the hands on each other, fingers over fingers, then rub them back and forth several times.

SPOTTED.

MOTTLED.

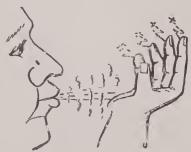
BRINDLE.

ROAN.

COLOR.

Any off color.

S. 47.



Hold our hand palm up level, fingers bent upward, then swell the cheeks, blow or puff towards the bent fingers, while they wiggle as in fire.

S. 47.

STEAMBOAT,

Imitation of the puffing of a high pressure engine.

S. 48.



Bring the left cloor prominently in front and shake it upward gently with the back of the right hand. S. 48.

STINGY.

MEAN ETC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S, 49.

S. 49.



STRAIGHT.

THE STRAIGHT ROAD.

THR RIGHT WAY.

AN UPRIGHT COURSE.

HONESTY.

Hold the left index in front, then beginning at the knuckle, push the end of the right index along on the left and a little past the end.

S. 50.

S. 50.



STRINC.

A CORD.

A SMALL LINE.

Make as if holding a string between the thumb and forefinger of the left hand, then with thamb and finger of the right, take hold of the imaginary string and stretch it in any direction

S. 51.

S. 51.



STRINC.

A SMALL ROPE.

Hold the fist back towards the face, then extend the right index and draw it away in a spiral movement against the sun

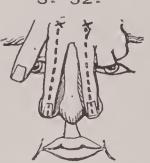
Motion of unwinding a string.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 52.



Fork the first two fingers of

ward on the side of the nose.

S. 52,

STRIPED NOSE,

Stripes on anything are made by drawing the ends of the forked fingers over it.

S. 53.

either hand and draw them up-



Form an arc of a circle with the ends of the fingers of the right hand, point them towards the forehead and rock the wrist.

S. 53.

STUDY.

DELIBERATE.

CONSIDER.

S. 54.



Spread the thumb and index wide apart and hold them pointed upward over head

S. 54.

SUN.

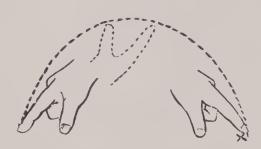
STAR.

Star is a LITTLE SUN, woom is NIGHT SUN.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

S. 55.



Hold the spread thumb and index down towards the left, raise it to zenith, then down to right.

S. 55,

SUNRISE.
SUNSET.

NOON,

TWELVE HOURS.

Any time of day can be designated within an hour by careful gesturing.

S. 56.



Raise the open hands high ubove the head and bow to the inevitable. S. 56.

SUBMIT -SION.

HELD UP

WAS ROBBED.

S. 57.



First clasp the hands in a peculiarly and gentle manner, then clap the open right hand over the mouth, open eyes and look surprised.

S. 57.

SURPRISED.

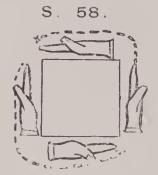
Indians often do this on meeting after some absence or in some nnexpected moment. See wonders etc.

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Gestieres

Equivalents.

S. 58.



First extend both open hands thumbs up, level in front, then shove the right around, facing the body, at the same time drawing the left side back towards, the body.

A SQUARE.

A SECTION.

A BOX.

S. 59.



Motion of shoving the whole hand down by the front of the throat.

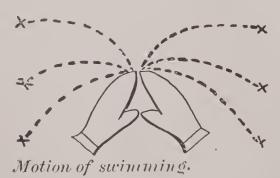
S. 59.

SWALLOW,

Take it down, referring to medicine.

c, 60.

S. 60.



SWIM.

tel lan yn la ek yn yn lynne.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

S, 61,

S, 61.



SWORD.

Motion of drawing a sabre.

T. 1.



Hold the right index pointed deunward at the rear of hip.

T, 1.

TAIL.

T. 2.



Make as if snapping some small thing with thumb and middle finger from the mouth.

T, 2.

TALK,

TELL.

SAY.

SAID.

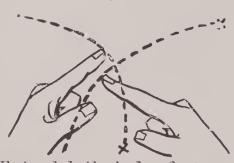
Snapping words from the mouth.

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

Т, З.



Extend both index fingers and strike one up while the other is being struck down several times or in and out alternately.

T. 3.

TALKINC.

HANDS TALKING.

SIGN TALKING.

These index fingers are two men, but I do not know why these movements denote talking.

T. 4.



Make as if holding a coil of line or skein of yarn in the left hand and untangling it by pulling imaginary yarns in various directions.

T. 4.

TANGLED.

A SNARL.

T. 5.



Touch the chin with ends of all the fingers in various places.

T.5.

TATTOO.

Pricking color into the skin, a practice being nearly done away with



Gestures

Equivalents.

T. 6.



T, 6.

THIN. SHARP.

Hold the open left hand thumb up in front and draw the spread thumb and index from ends of fingers to wrist, having the thumb inside of the teft hand during the strokes

· For thick see BACON.

T. 7.



T. 7.

THINE.

Close the right fist, bring it to right breast, this is possession. Now thrust the thing possessed towards heaven.

His referring to GOD. See HIS, etc.

T. 8.



T. 8.

THING -S.

ARTICLES.

SOMETHING.

Raise and carry over and down the right index in several arcs and in many directions. Indians say "Some of things," this thing, that thing, these things, those things, etc

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

T. 9.



The open right hand thumb np carried obliquely skyward.

T. 9.

THY.
REFERRING TO GOD.

T. 10.



Place ends of thumbs and finzers together in front of face, inclined by leaving the wrists apart, making a form of a steep gable. T. 10.

TEPEE.
WIGWAM.
AN INDIAN LODGE.

T. 11



The open right hand is placed palm up out in front of mouth, then draw toward the hips with a quick jerk.

T. 11.

TELL ME.
TALK TO ME.

Bring the word to me.



Gestures

Equivalents.

T. 12,

T. 12.



Rest the ball of the hand on any level surface and imitate the click-ing of the telegraph machine.

TELEGRAPH.
TELEGRAM.

Also refers to the telegraph as a machine.

T, 13.





Form a circle with thumband index and talk into that opening.

TELEPHONE,
TRUMPET.
A HORN.

T. 14.

T. 14.



Extend the right index and draw it from left to right six inches out from the forehead.

TEXAN.
TEXAS.

A broad-rimmed hat. The same gesture as for white man, but made well out in front.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

T. 15.

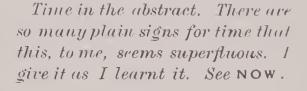


T 15,

TIME.

Elevate the right index, other fingers closed, palm out in front of forehead, and thrust up and down several times.

T. 16.



T. 16.

x-/----x-

A SHORT TIME.

MOMENTS.

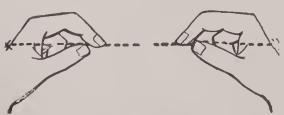
HOURS.

DAYS.

Close thumb and index fingers of both hands, place them end to and and draw them apart a short distance.

T. 17.

T. 17.



A LONG TIME.

Close thumb and index fingers of both hands, place them end to end and draw them wide apart Movement is somewhat like stretching a rubber string. Can add BEHIND or AHEAD for time past or future.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

T. 18,

T. 18.



Grasp the arm or leg and shrink toward the part.

TIRED.

WEARY.

PHYSICAL WEARINESS..

T. 19



Point both index fingers to breast and draw them diagonally downward apart from their respective sides. T, 19.

TIRED.

MENTAL WEARINESS,

The heart is tired. I am tired of that matter. Monotony.

T. 20.

T. 20.

TOBACCO.

Hold the open left hand palm up in front, then lay the lower side of the right fist into it and move albow in and out producing a sort of grinding in the palm of the left

hand.

Wild Indians smoke, but do not chew, only civilized tribes are sufficiently demoralized to indulge in that habit.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

T. 21 AND 22.



Touch the tooth or teeth and show it or them.

T. 23 AND 24.





Widespread thumb and index of both hands, other fingers closed. Bring the hands together at wrists, but tipped well away from each other, then bring the ends of both index fingers down on to the ends of their respective thumbs rather emphatically.

T. 25.



Extend both index fingers and cross the exists, hands palms up.

T. 21 AND 22.

THE TEETH, A TOOTH.

See eye. The like signs used in such sentences as "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.

T 23 AND 24.

TRAP.
TO TRAP.

24 is the same gesture made with one hand only.

T. 25.

TRADE.

EXCHANGE,

SWAP,

BUY.

SELL.

BARTER.

To lay down things in one place and other things in another, then make a X. I will give these things (on this side) for those things (on the opposite side of the cross).

Gestures.

Equivalents.

T, 26 AND 27.

T. 26 AND 27.





Thrust the right index straight ontward from the lips.

TRUTH -FUL.
TRULY.
CANDIDLY.
SERIOUSLY ETC.

One tongue. Straight talk, etc.

T, 28.

T. 28.



The right index pointed nearly straight upward is mushed zigzag right and left, advancing at the same time.

TURKEY,

GAME.

This gesture is very like that for a deer, but a turkey moves his head from side to side as it runs

T. 29.

T. 29.



TURTLE.
TORTOISE.

The right hand back up is sort of humped at the knuckles and moved from side to side by wrist action.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

T. 30.



With thumb and index make as if jerking the beard out by the roots.

S. 34,

PLYERS.

NIPPERS.

TWEEZERS.

PINCHERS ETC

Some Indians are constantly pulling out any beard that starts, except small tufts at the corners of the mouth

U. 1.



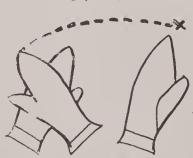
Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, point them toward the heart and rock. Twist the wrist several times

U. 1.

UNCERTAIN
UNDECIDED.
PERHAPS.
MVY BE SO.

Always add this sign when any matter is subject to doubt or to miscarry. See IF. (The heart is not sure).

U, 2.



First lay the right hand over the left, then vaise and carry the right toward the right and turn it palm up.

U. 2.

UNGOVER.

OPEN.

LIGHT.

DAY.



Gestuves.

Equivalents.

U. 3.



U. 3.

UNDERNEATH.
TO GO UNDER.
TO GO IN.

TO ENTER.

Hold the open left hand back up in front, then thrust the open right back up entirely under, letting it show beyond the left.

U. 4.



in front, then hold the right in-

U. 4.

UNDER COVER.
PROTECTION,
SHELTER -ED.

dex vertically under it.



U. 5.

UNREADY.

Hold the open left hand in front, then having the right hand index vertically under the left, move it to right and left.

I give this as received, Never had occasion to use it. Indians would say PRETTY SOON or WAIT.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

V. 1.





Hold the hand before the eyes and look into it, assume an appearance of extreme satisfaction, as by a smile, etc. VAIN.

HANDSOME,

MIRROR.

V. 2.





Extend the left index, hold it hent upward near the ground as SPROUT, then draw a spiral line near the ground with the right. VINE.

If it extends upward, sign for TREE and continue the spiral line around the left hand which is gestured as TREE. See appendix under TREES.

V, 3.

V. 3.



Hold the open and bent right hand before the mouth, make as if ready to gag and thrust the hand from the mouth downward.

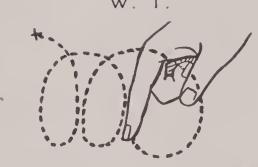
VOMIT,
AN EMETIC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 1.



The spread thumb and index back up and progressed forward in a vertical civcular manuer.

W. 1.

WAGON.

WHEELS.

W. 2.



The spread thumb and index back down progressed forward in a vertical circular manner.

W, 2.

WAGON.

WHEELS.

To intimate a wagon approaching. The same gesture drawn from well out in front.

3. W.



The open right hand is struck forward and downward rather emphatically.

W, 3.

WAIT.

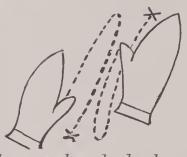
HALT.

STOP.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 4.



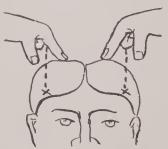
Both open hands backs up are thrust forward while the other is drawn backward in a sort of pawing manner. W. 4.

WALK.

TO WALK.

WALKINC.

W. 5.



The loosely-flexed hands are held fingers pointed down and dropped suddenly downward toward the shoulders.

W. 5.

WARM.

HEAT.

нот.

W. 6.



Hook the right index and draw it downward past the nose to the breast. W. 6.

WANT.

DESIRE



Gestures.

Equivalents.



Stoop and thrust both fists down, drawing them back, and repeat the movement two or three times. W. 7.

WASH.

WASH BOARD. WASHING.

W. 8.



Hold the open right hand nearly cup shaped, bring it to the mouth and make as if drinking out of it.

W. 8.

WATER. DRINK.

W. 9.



Hold the open left hand well out in front and thrust the open right endreise against it.

W.9.

WENT THERE. ARRIVED THERE. WENT THERE NOT. WENT NEAR.

From the end of the last move swing the open right hand backhunded to the right.

For went near, draw the right hund back from the left and then sign NOT



Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 10.



W. 10,

WENT TO A MOUNTAIN.
WENT TO THE MOUNTAIN.

First sign of MOUNTAIN, then thrust the end of right index against it.

For mountain, raise both fists alternately, then thrust as before.

W. 11.

W, 11,

WHERE,
AT WHICH PLACE?

Thrust the right index in several directions and assume an air of inquiry by looking intently at the party.

Which of the places iddicated?

W. 12.

W. 12.



WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Thrust the right index towards the party, this means YOU. Then draw the index back to the right shoulder and assume an inquiring look.

The thrust means YOU, the drawing backs means FROM and the inquicing look means WHERE.

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 13.





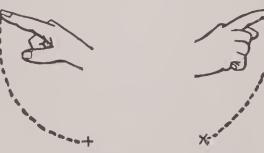
WHETSTONE.

Extend the left index in front, then extend the right index and push it back and forth over the left.

To sharpen any tool by rubbing or grinding on a stone.

W. 14.

W. 14.



WHIP.
TO WHIP.
A QUIRK.

Strike either index around to the rear as a switch.

The gesture comes from the custom of switching the flunks of a horse while riding.

W. 15.

W. 15.



WHIRLWIND,
CYCLONE
HURRICANE.
TORNADO.

The open vight hand is back up, fingers bent partly down, the hand being well out, then make a violent whirling of the hand in a horizontal plane.

All irresistible gales.

Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 16

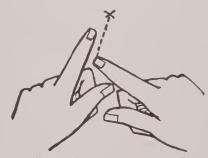


W. 16.

WHISTLE.

Extend the right index vertically and dance it up and down, keeping time to a suppressed whistle.

W. 17-



W. 17.

WHITE.

First sign for TAIL, then extend the left index in front. Then with the end of right index at the middle joint of the left, strike it towards and past the end of the left.

The tip of a deer's tail is white.

W. 18,



W, 18.

WHITES.
WHITE MAN.

Draw the index or the whole hand back up across the forchead. See TEXAN.

Whites wear hats and the index indicates the hat rim. A colored man is A WHITE MAN BLACK.

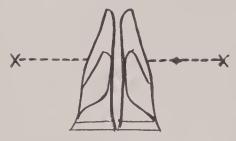
Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 19.

W 19,

20.



WIDE. WIDTH.

Both open hands placed palm to palm in front are drawn wide upart

W, 20.

WILL. MUST.

CAN.

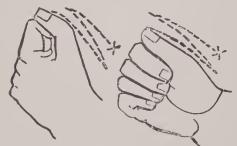
SHALL.

I WILL ETC.

MAKE EFFORT,

W.

TRY ETC.



Both fists are moved back and forth several times at each side about as high as the breasts, the whole person assuming a determined aspect.

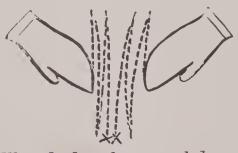
W, 21.

W. 21.

WINGS.

FLY,

A BIRD.



Flop the hands up and down by wrist action in imitation of the wings of the bird you refer to.

Flop the hands, lively or slowly, for swift or slow birds. Can distinguish domestic fowls by PECK-ING and by COLORS, etc.

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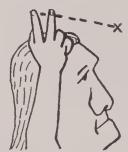
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Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 22.



Fork the first two fingers of the right hand, hold them over the right ear, then move them forward one stroke only.

W. 23.



Hold the open left hand back up in front, then extend the right index and hold it under the left hand all pointed in one direction.

W. 24.



Hold the open left hand back up in front, then place the first finger of the right hand under it, fingers all pointed one way, and more both together in various directions.

W. 22.

WISE.
WISDOM.
CUNNING ETC,

The sign of a fox or wolf moving forward, these being considered very discreet.

W . 23,

WITH,
TO BE WITH,

Used passively or with no movements.

W. 24.

WITH.
I LIVE WITH.
ONE WITH OTHERS.

One moving about with others. See we with.

. Against the m. Alson

Gestuves.

Equivalents.

W. 25.



W, 25.

WE WITH.

WE LIVE WITH.

Hold the open left hand back up in front, then bring the open left thumb up under it, fingers all pointed one way, and all moved together in various directions. Several moving about with several others, as one family living with a different tribe or band.

W. 26.



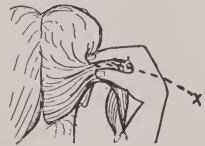
W. 26.

WOMAN.

Bend the flugers palm to head and draw them downward rather quick.

This is one way of indicating LONG HAIR. See W. 27.

W. 27.



W. 27.

WOMAN.

LONG HAIR.

Take hold of the hair and make as if stretching it out to considerable length.

This is also another way of indiruting LONG HAIR. Women usually wear their hair long. ar y r •

Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 28.

W. 28.



WORK -ING.

MAKE -ING.

PLOW -ING.

Both hands thumbs up, palms near each other, are held out in front and moved in an upward, outward manner several times.

This is taken from holding the plow, also hands must move or work to make things.

W. 29.

W. 29,

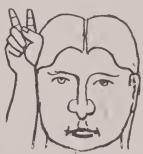


WRITE-ING. HISTORY, TREATY,

Hold the open left hand valm towards the face, then make motion of writing in that palm. Any written agreements, note or letter.

W. 30.

W. 30.



WOLF, A FOX,

Fork the first two fingers of one or both hands, hold above the ear

Sharp ears.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

W. 31.

W. 31.



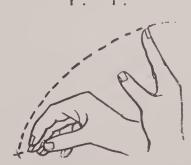
Motion of rubbing a round spot of paint on the check

WICHITA. RED.

Tribal sign for Wichita Indians.

Y. 1.





Elevate the right index and thumb at right side of head, then strike it forward and down. Close them at end of downward stroke.

YES
ASSENT.
EVEN SO!
I AGREE WITH YOU.

This is a sign of a man making a bow. Indians use this gesture a great deal. In the BIGYES or I certainly will, the gesture is made while standing, and with a very large sweep.

Y. 2.

Y. 2.



Hold both fists in front, shiver, shaking the fists up and down.

A YEAR.

ONE COLD.

A WINTER.

AGE ETC.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

Y. 3.



Elevate both index fingers and dance them up and down on their respective sides of the head.

Y.3.

YOUNG FOLKS.

ENJOYMENT.

DANCING.

A BALL.

Remember that these index fingers represent people in some sense all the way through the sign language.

Y. 4.



Make as if taking hold of both nipples and drawing the right to right and the left to left.

Y. 4.

A YOUNG WOMAN.

A nursing woman is shown by placing both fists on the breast and project bust to front, a pregnant woman, by sign of GROS VENTRE.

Y. 5.

Y. 5.



YOURSELF.

3 ×

Point the right towards the party.

Sometimes, but not properly, as yours. I tried to avoid this by pointing the whole hand, but Indians would not accept the change. See thine, his, etc.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

Numbers.

Counting.

1.



ONE.

Counting from 1 to 10 begin by raising the little finger (I usually begin with the left hand) for 1, then add the next finger for 2, then the middle for 3, then the forefinger for 4, then add the thumb, making the first 5.

See ACCOUNT.

Numbers.

2.

3.

Counting.





TWO, THREE,

4.





FOUR, FIVE.



Gestures.

Equivalents.

Numbers.

6

Counting.



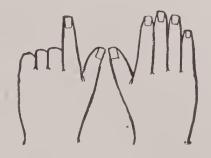
SIX,

Hold the open left hand rertically back to face, then add the thumb of the right touching the left thumb, the other fingers of the right hand being closed. Now add the forefinger of the right to the thumb and on up to 9, then both spread hunds held vertically for 10.

Numbers.

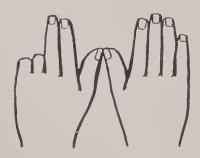
7.

Counting.



SEVEN.

8.



EIGHT.

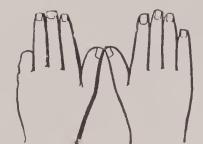


Gestures.

Equivalents.

Numbers. 9.

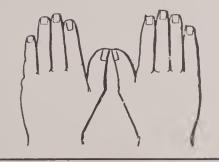
Counting.



NINE.

10.

TEN,

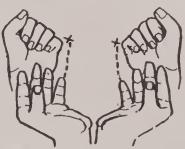


See other ways for 10.

Numbers.

10.

Counting.



TEN.

Both hands palms up, push out, raise and clinch the fing rs shut; do this for every 10 up to 100 or more,

This is most used.

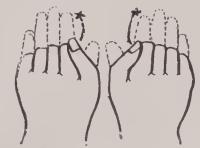
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Gestures.

Equivalents.

Numbers.

Counting.



Both hands backs up; raise, push out and clinch to fist once for every 10.

TEN,

See another 10.

Numbers.

10

Counting.



Elevate the right index to right side of the head and strike it forward and down in a fourth of a circle. TEN.

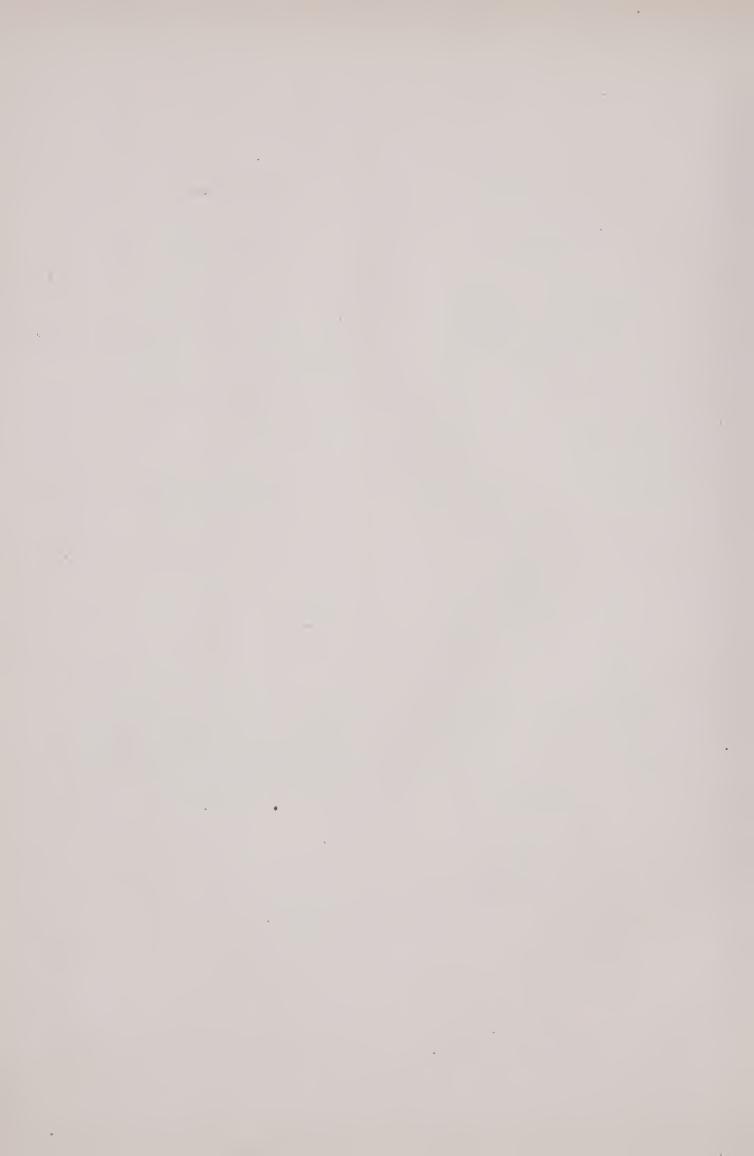
This way is best in large numbers.

For 20, use two fingers, for 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90 and 100, add a finger for every 10.

Counting

Numbers. 20.

TWENTY.

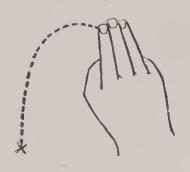


Gestures.

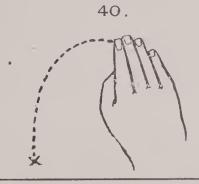
Equivalents.

Numbers. 30.

Counting.



THIRTY.



FORTY.



Counting,



FIFTY,

(A Wiehita showed me several other ways to count up to 10, but they are more curious than practical; therefore, I will not make diagrams, and without them, they could not be clearly explained).

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Gestures.

Equivalents.

Numbers.

60,

Counting.

SIXTY.

Hold the open left hand vertically in front, add the thumb of the right, (the other fingers being closed as in 6). Now strike both over to the left in a large quarter circular movement. Add as many fingers as there are 10s up to 100.

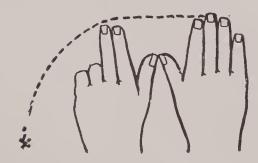
Numbers.

70.

Counting.

SEVENTY.

80.



EIGHTY,

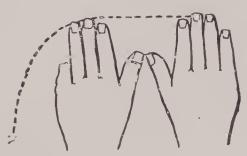


Gestures.

Equivalents.

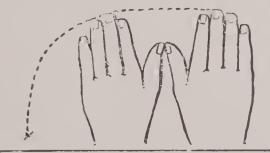
Numbers. 90.

Counting.



NINETY.

100.



Counting by 10s, 100s, 1000s, etc.

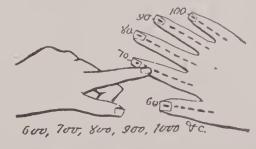


See other ways of counting by 10s and 100s.

0-. 1m, 200, 300, 400, 500.

('onnting by 10s, 100s, 100s, etc.

on the right.



Having counted off up to 50 or

500, etc., on the left hand, count

off the other 10s, 100s or 1000s,

Hald the spread hand back up in front, then legin at the knuckles and draw the end of the right index along the backs of the spread fingers of the lrft hand,

Other methods prevail as by counting sticks, seeds, pebbles, etc.

right index along the backs of the spread fingers of the left hand, each stroke counting 1, 10, 100 mr 1000, whatever may have been understood.

Two useful points are attainable by this arrangement, one is the opportunity to test ones memory of the diagrams in the body of this work; the other is important to translator who need to know just how much length of base each sign will occupy on the lines, so as to be guided as to how much matter can be gotten into a page, or line; also, it will be the readiest reference for the compositor who may be entirely ignorant of signs, and compelled to set by number alone, giring the result intended by the translator

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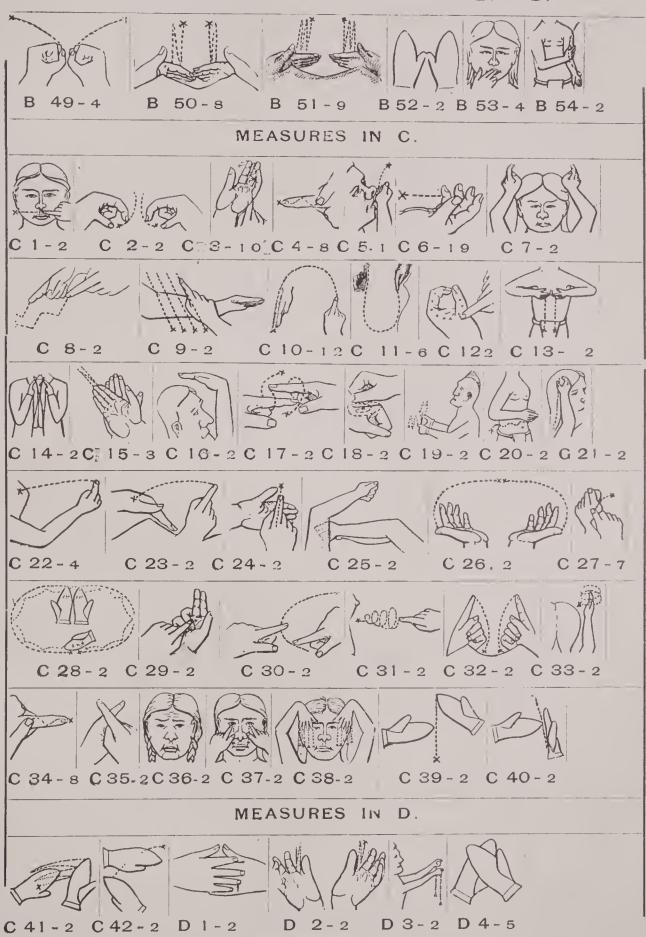


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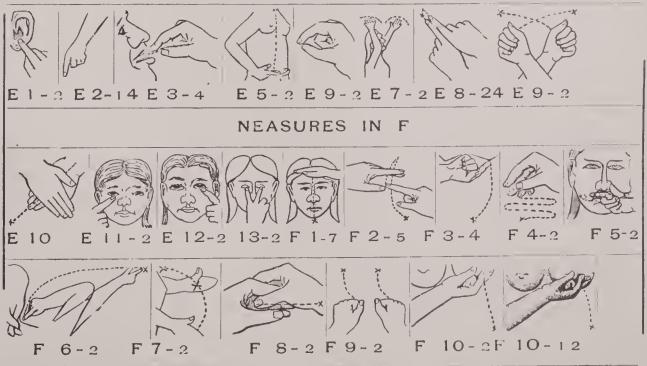
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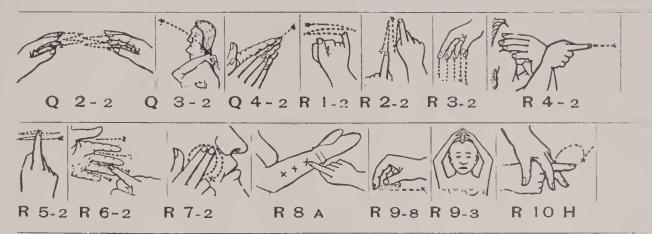


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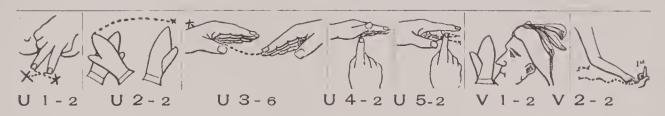


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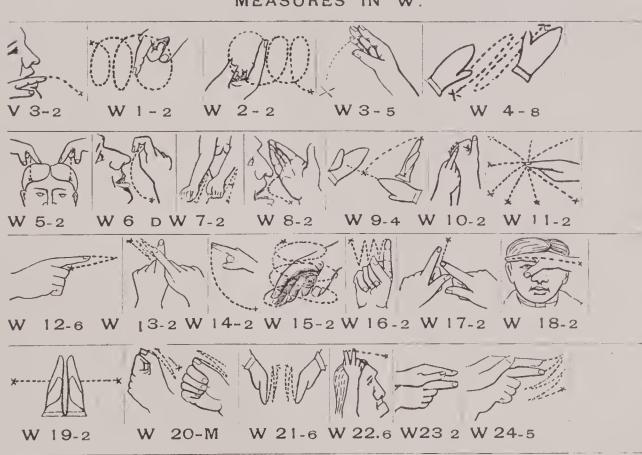




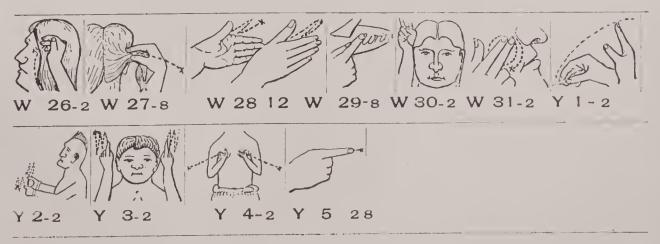
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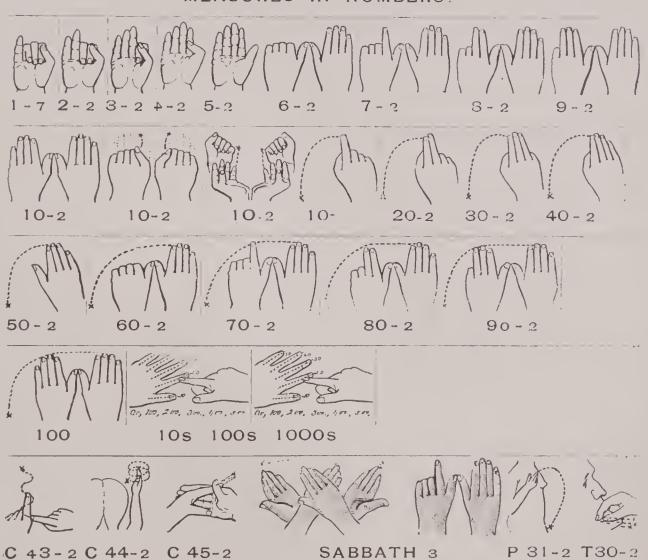


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MEASURES IN NUMBERS.



END OF MEASURES IN THE FONT OF SMALL DIAGRANS.

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JPPENDIX.

A few words may be useful in understanding the line of movement:

, 1. All lines proceeding outward from the body (except from profiles,) go upward on the paper. See GOOD, I KNOW, etc.

2. Lines that cross each other show a twist of the wrist. See QUANDARY,

ACCOST, etc.

3. If hands chauge position, or are turned over, both positions are shown, the first at the commencement, and the last at the end of the movement. See day, night, not, bitter, yes, etc. The X shows the end of movement. A X in a line shows a s'op in the movement which may continue in the same direction, or change the direction.

See MUST NOT, LEAD, etc. Curres are indicated plain enough in the

diagrams.

Several gestures have been purposely omitted and some overlooked. A few of these overlooked are here inserted, while some which are not yet electrotyped will be sufficiently plain by description

There are nearly 700 different gestures, while only about 560 odd have been considered useful enough to pay expenses. Of course, it is not to be ex-

peeted of me to give picture illustrations of the many vulgar gestures.

These can be learned without trouble from some young Bucks whose tastes run in that direction.

ATTEMPT, TRY, I MUST, I WILL, I AM DETERMINED BEGIN



Brace y miself, elineh the fists, forearms horizontal and fists to front. Then assume a determined facial expression and move the fists to and from past the sides with considerable vim.

Assume a determined took. The more energy that can be put into this gesture, the more forcible will be the idea. See I MUST and I WILL.

RACON FAT THICK SIDE-MEAT.



Hold the left hand thumb up in front, then draw the right hand astride the upper edge of the left hand, having the right thumb inside of the left hand.

BIRD BAT WINGS FLY



Motion of flopping the hands as wings, by wrist action.

BUT. Point to right oblique; hold it thus a second, then jerk it back.



(As a conjunction).



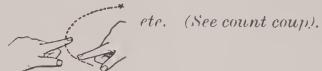


CANDY. Hold the left index vertically, then carry the end of the right index against it at the knuckle joint and from there around the left index in a progressive spiral movement to past the end of it.

Add signs TAST and GOOD.

COUPULATION.

COUNT ONF BY ONE, TWO BY TWO,



PRETTY. See HANDSOME.

PUSH. The same gesture as AT-TEMPT, TRY, MUST, CAN, WILL etc., they are all related to DETERMINATION, but in print, one form of figure may stand for ATTEMPT, one for BEGIN one for MUST etc.,

I do not propose to settle such points without consulation with the authourities, (sign talking Indiaus).

PREGNANT. The same gesture as for GROS VENTRE.

EARLY. SUNRISE. MORNING. Sign of sun well down to the left side of the person, (the wide spread thumb and index represents the sun), some use the circular opening of thumb and index for SUN.

HOTEL. EATING HOUSE. RESTAURANT. Firts sign of cat by making believe putting something into the mouth, then interlock the ends of fingers of both hands as HOUSE.

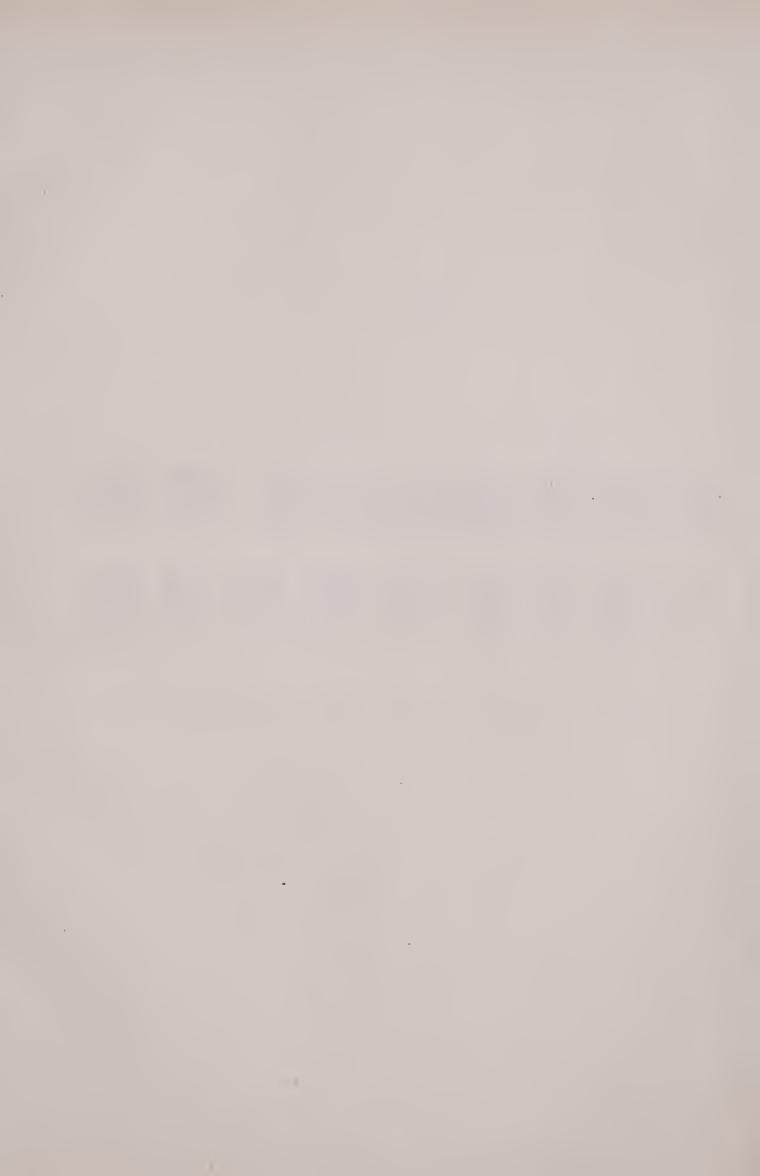
SADDLE. (No cut). Elbows are closed to their respective sides of body, hands closed to fists, then keep the cloows in place while moving the wrists as far apart as convenient.

is held up in front, then the vight is held in the same manner up to the right Then the left index is moved from its first position until its end touches the SUN, being shown by the spread thumb and index of the right hand. A star is a LITTLE SUN A star also TWINKLES. (Sign of fire held towards the sky).

A QUANDARY. Hold the right hand in front of the breast and rock it two or three times by wrist action.

I do not know what I will, shall, or ought to do.





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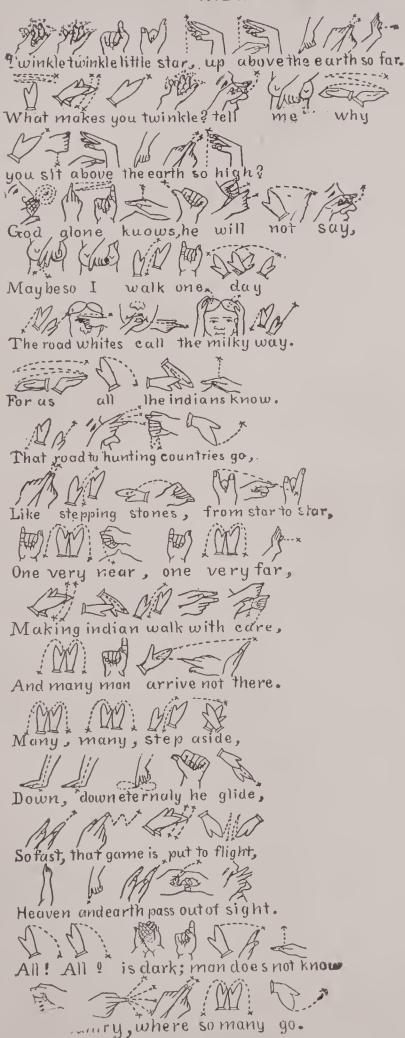
The first practicle fout. (Now abandoned.)





wolf hungry wilking road hunting food, see away back white man coming.

By chance I happen to have a few pieces of the wood type but not enough to print any connected piece, yet I trust there is enough of it to confirm the good judgement of the friends who have given so much toward the electrotype font H.



THE INDIANS* LITTLE STAR.

This is one of the first trial plates, made more to test the size of diagrams than as an article for circulation.

There are some signs in it which had letter been changed. Notably, for the sign for ETERNALLY, it is better to use that used in the Vocabulary for ALWAYS. Others will need criticism, but, on the whole, it is a good beginning in sign wrinting. The original was three times larger.

Pages of matter may be set up in the type sign, and a clean copy made. This clean copy can have its lines gone over with a pen and trick India ink, then a photoplate made of reduced size for extensive work.

The above came into my mind, one Christmas Eve:

I mude the diagrams in the black type, and printed it the next day, but so poorly that it led me to change.

In-go-nom-pa-shi,



WOLF AND WHITE MAN



EXPLAN. TI ON

The story here called "Wolf and White Man" was told to a crowd of Indians who were waiting to have their tickets for ration made out by the who were sitting at table in the same room.

Of course, ther were no spoken words; all was in their own way of doing business, and telling each other things before the very eyes of the white people, who were none the wiser for what they could see.

I determined to preserve the story, and some day I would give it to those same Indians in print.

I told them I would and I seem to be on a fair way to do it.

I consider this example as small as is practical to interline.

In-go-nom-pa-shi.



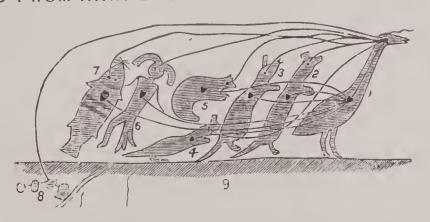
HOW AN INDIAN READS SIGN PRINT.

The open hands, backs up, in front of the breast, one wolks (moves) forward, while the other walks (is drawn) backward toward the body in sort of a pawing movement, back and forth two or three times.

To teach the Indian sign reading from paper, he is told that the line is road, and that the hands walk in the road. When he knows this he puts his hands in position indicated in the diagram and makes them walk (more) on the road (line) toward the X, and

Wal-king. —— walk (move) on the road (live) toward the **X** , and he makes an Indian sign, which if he did not recognize at sight he cannot fail to know as he makes the well known gesture.

OTHER MEANS OF PICTURING IDEAS. GOPIED FROM HARPERS MAGAINE. FOR MAY. 1870.



This is a ropy of a symbolical petition to the Psesident of the United States in which the heads of several families joined. They were Chippewas, living on the borders of Take Superior, and petitioned the President on the subject of some small lakes. The head of the party of petitioners (1) was a chief of the Craneclan or tribe, having for its totem the vude pieture of a erane. The three imediately following him(2, 3, 4) are of the Marten tribe. The next (5) is of the Bear tribe. He is followed by a chief of the Man-fish tribe, represented by the strange figure in No. 6. The merman is a frequent object among the symbols of tribes living near the lakes, and is the counterpart of the mermaid believed in by Western Europeans for centuries. The last of the petitioners (7) is a chief of the Cat-fish tribe. The totems of all these appear in the drawing, which was made by an Indian. The lines drawn from the eye of the Crane, the leader of the party, to the eyes of all the other totemic symbols druote that they all see alike in the matter; and the lines drawn from the heart of the Crane denote that the petitioners all feet alike. No.9 is a stream running into Lake Superior. No. 8 are the little lakes, the subject of the petition.



THB LATEST FIND.

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While men very I many (a step) Fray to doord perus

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broke I he Sledge. all many young men come, all eats

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This example is a reduced copy of a drawing made by Cosard, A Kiowa. And a rproduction of a letter from Big Head to Big Bow, both Kiowas.

I have tried to discover the principles, npon which it is based, but the more I think about it the more I am convinced that it is purely arbritrary

Its origin is accredited to Mescal, a plant that is used in Indian Worshiy as an emblem of the sna.

The button shaped seed head is set in middle of a horse shoe-shaped mound, that nearly encircles a small fire which is kept up all night with small dry slicks, and all dwring the night, the worshipers keep their eyes fixed on this mescal-bulton, pray to it, ask it queestions, (mentally) and recieve answers, so I am lold by trust-worthy Indians.

. In Indian saw this set of characters while gazing at this emblem of the sun during worship.

The forms used betray a knowledge of pennianship, that leads me to believe that it is of recent origin, and wholly arbitrary.

These examples serve to show a desire on the part of Indians for some means of corespondence.



My study has been to reduce signs to their lowest terms, or to find the Primary Ges-

These have been shown in the body of the Vocabulary.

It is natural for a learner to ask, what is the sign for this, or that idea, or object, and the Indian will tell him "Got none." probably there is no single gesture and it has to be shown by two or more gestures as for instance: .! negro, has no single sign, but he wears a hat the same as a white man, and he is black. Therefore first, sign for Whiteman; second sign for Black.

It is thus in most cases, one must think. Now to cover all eases, if there is no one ges-

ture, then use as many of such signs as will help you out.

A list of all the compound signs is impractical, because almost limitless

A few will be given, as illustration in which, the word in the largest letter is the sign wanted then Italies follow in proper order. These are separate primary gestures and are gestured one after the other as printed.

First master the primary signs in the body of this work and their use as parts of a

compound sign will come into your mind as needed.

wagon, sit. steamboat. sit.

ABSENT sit. not. see GONE.

ABUSE talk, bad, lies. see SLANDER. ACROS river, go-over, prairie, go-over. mountain, go-over, etc

AFRAID OF NOTHING where?, ull,

afraid, not.

AGENT (Indian), white-man, chief, distribute, food, clothing, by-itself (free).

LOOK-ALIKE, face, equal.

AMBITIOUS. push, rise-abore-others.

ARTILLERY-MAN, white-man, soldier, gun, big stripes red.

ATTACK. See CHARGE. AUTUMN, tree, fall. (as leaves).

BACHELOR, man, woman, got-none, or

man, married, not.

BAD-LANDS, mountains, ravines.

BARREN, born, work, not

BUY, money, trade.

BURN, fire, done-it-to-me, bad.

BROOK, river, little.

BRAGGING. talk, brave, true, not.

BORROW, give-me, soon 1-give-you.

BLACK-FOOT, (Indian) Sionx, Moccasin, black.

BLANCHE, face, another, white-

BOIL, pot, water, fire.

BONE, (touch it) white-

CANNOT, work, not, or push-not.

CANDID, truth, day, good.

CERTAIN, know, good.

CHEAT, horse, steal, lie.

CHICKEN peck, fly.

CHIPPEWA, man, tree, sit.

CITIZEN, white-man, free.

COAL, rock, fire, good

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COOK, work, pot, fire, eat.

CONGRESS, white-man, chief, many, east, sit, vircle, converse.

COURTING. man, woman, talk, rash, catch.

DELIGHT-JOY. dance, or, heart, enough, (i. e., the heart rises to one's throat).

DREAM, sleep, see, know. good

DROUTH, u-long-time, rain, not, grass, all-gone, the -same-as. fire.

EAGLE. bird. tips. white.

DISPATCH, a-stage, or, writing, wagon, go-fust.

ELOPEMENT, woman, steal, ride.

A-FEAST, work, kettles, eireles, eat, full, up-to-the-chin.

GHOST, die, night, malk,

GRANDMOTHER, mother, his, mother.

GUN-POWDER, shoot, powder, black.

HAIL, vain cold, hard.

HOMELY, fuce, bad.

HOMESICK, heart, look. heart, sick.

country, heart, tired.

HONEST, heart. day, good. open as the day. HONEY, bird, small, bite, excrement, sweet.

HOSPITAL, home, medicine. sick, sit. INFANTRY, white-man, soldiers, walk.

INTERPRETER, man, talk, his, talk.

IMPOSSIBLE, works, not.

MONKEY, half, white-man, half, dog.

A-MONTH, one, moon, wiped-out.

A-NAVAHO, work, blanket, striped.

PEOPLE, man, places, (where) sit.

PLAN, work. See ROAD.

PRESIDENT, white, chief, big.

SUNDAY, day, sacred. day, seven.

TEA, leaf, drink, 200d.

VIRGIN, female, marry-not.

YOUNGER, born, after.

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PREF.ICE

TO THE

READING MATTER IN SIGNS.

If one wishes go to a white mans house, he takes the road that leads there. In like manner, if we wish to go to an Indians Tepce, we take the road that that will lead us there.

But the roads are dissimilar. The white mans, is a broad and easy avenue, and communications are easy.

The Indians road is a narrow dim trail, is tedious, and communication is slaw and inconvenient.

Now, it is simply evident, that if, we try to reach the Indians tepee, and never go out of the white mans road, we will never get there: If we are in earnest, we seek the trail that leads there, which, if we find and keep, we will some or later, reach his home.

I have written the above to illustrate this idea, namely: If you wish to reach the Inlian Mind, you MUST adapt your method to the situation.

You must follow come Indian trail, to put yourself in communication with him. You should, not tower so high above him that he is made small in his own esteem; nor enter to his wateress by talking Pidgeon-Indian, treating him as a shild. If you try to teach him to read, and take our method, you have a a long and hard vord to travel, and in the case of adults, almost hopeless, if not altagether impractical.

But, if you can u'ilize the In lian Sign Language in your teaching, you came at wave into Feet own none ction with the In lian mind and are able to communicate any idea Indians can comprehend.

The Sign Ling ingo being reduced to print and its diagrams being simply Pictures of the Indians Gestures, are easily recognized by sign talking tribes,

Hence reading neatter printed in Sign Pictures can be read by them precisely work the same principles as an elvillrew real pictures of actions, and can tall the difference between the picture of boys in swinning, from a picture of girls sliding down hill.

No expensive selves's are needed to teach picture reading: just give them something printed in sign diagrams, tell the nove ing of the datted line showing the movement in gesture pictures, and they soon became readers of signs.

Druptless such result, so simple, yet so comprehensive, was never known in all the history of the "terature of the world. By its use an illiterate nation our beinstructed and assisted in their effort to all optobes need were and waw doon, each set with their white neighbors.

May this work of good grow out of the waited efforts of several devoted workers, is the earnest proper of, Lewis F Hadley.



REMARKS ESPECIAL.

IT WILL BE NOTICED THAT IN THESE RELI-GIOUS CARDS, IN SOME CASES, INDIAN SYNTAX HAS BEEN FOLLOWED, WHILE IN OTHERS, IT IS DISREGARDED. THIS IS DONE FOR A PURPOSE.

IT MUST BE BORNE IN MIND THIS IS A BOOK OF PROOFS OF MATTER PRINTED, ON SEPARATE CARDS AND EACH CARD IS A STUDY BY ITSELF, NOT ONLY FOR INDIANS. BUT WHITES WHO WILL NOTICE THE CRITICISMS OF THE INDIANS AND THUS RULES THAT CAN BE RELIED UPON WILL BE DEVELOPED.

THEREFORE THESE FIRST; EFFORTS AT SIGN PRINTING MAY WELL BE REGARDED AS TRIAL LINES OF A SURVEYOR WHO WILL CORRECT HIS ERRORS WHEN HE FINIS HOW MUCH HE HAS FALLEN OFF.

NCTICE, THAT IN THE SIGN WHICH REPRESENTS FAITH, OR. LELIEVE, THE LINE OF MOVEMENT IS DOWNWARD, THROUGHOUT THE CARDS, THIS IS ONE OF THE LINES PROCEDING STRAIGHT OUTWARD FROM THE BODY. AND WILL HEREAFTER BE SET SO THAT THE LINE IN THE DIAGRAM SHOWING THE MOVEMENT WILL GO UPWARD, ON THE PAPER.

THERE ARE MANY SIMILAR POINTS TO BE DE-TERMINED BY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS, SOME ARE ON TRIAL IN THESE CARDS, BUT NOT ALLUDED TO IN TYPE. ALL OF WHICH I HOPE TO SETTLE IN MY OWN-MIND BEFORE SAYING MUCH ABOUT THEM.

I CLOSE WITH THE BELIEF THAT ANY PERSON WHO EXAMINES WILL FIND THAT IT IS AS EASY TO PRINT SIGN PICTURES ONE AFTER ANOTHER IN CONSECUTIVE ORDER, AS TO GESTURE IDEAS IN LIKE ORDER, AND IF, THE PICTURE REPRESENTATION IS CORRECT, THE INDIAN RECOGNIZES IT AS READILY AS PICTURES OF OBJECTS.

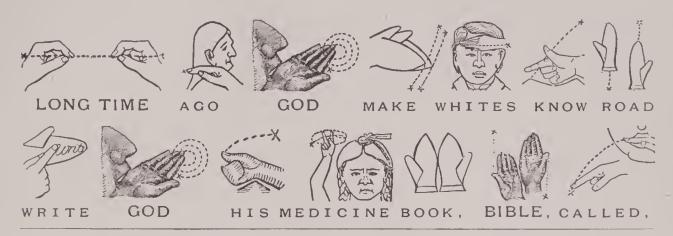
A TABLE OF ERRATA

IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT A TABLE OF ERRORS SHOULD BE SUPPLIED. ---- I HAVE LOOKED THE WORK THROUGH AND DECIDED THAT IT IS IMPRACTICAL SUCH A TABLE WOULD SWELL THIS VOLUME OUT OF ALL PROPORTION.

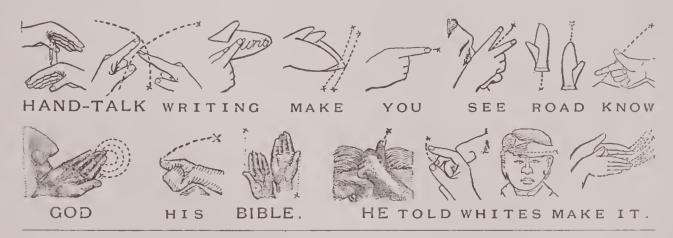
In-go-nom-pa-shi,



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S, 1. THE BOOK. C, 2.



S, 1. THE BOOK. C. 3.



IF INDIAN STUDY KNOW WHITE MAN HIS BOOK, MAY BE SO





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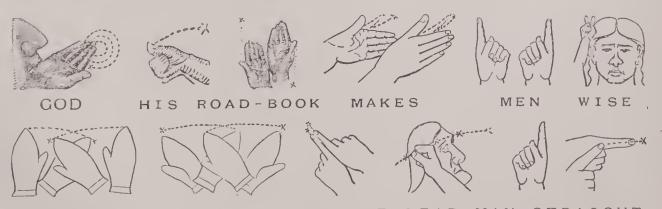


BRAVE, AFTER A LITTLE, HE CATCH IT TO KNOW WELL.

THE BOOK. C. . 5. S. 1, ROOK DISTRIBUTED, MAN NOW! TO DAY! MANY

AHEAD CATCH IT, MAY BE SO SOON, INDIAN CATCH SAME

THE BOOK. C.6. S. 1.



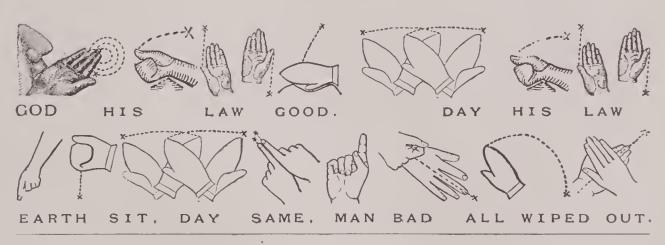
BY DAY THE SAME LEAD MAN STRAIGHT DAY



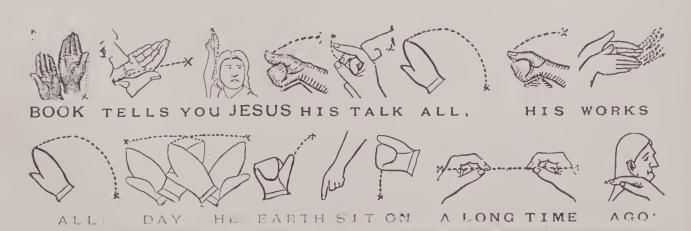
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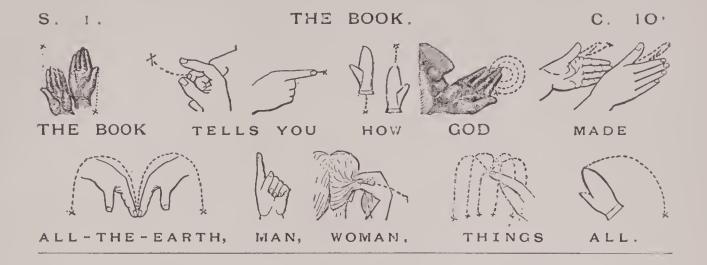
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S. 1. THE BOOK. C. 9,



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THE BOOK C. 11.

THE BOOK TELLS MUCH WONDERFUL TRUTH GOD

HIS PEOPLE THE EARTH SIT ON A-LONG-TIME AGO.

THE BOOK.

C. 12,

IF YOU STUDY WHITE-MAN HIS SMALL PRINT HERE-SIT,

YOU CATCH IT KNOW THE BIBLE ROAD TIME THE-SAME.



THE BEATITUDES.

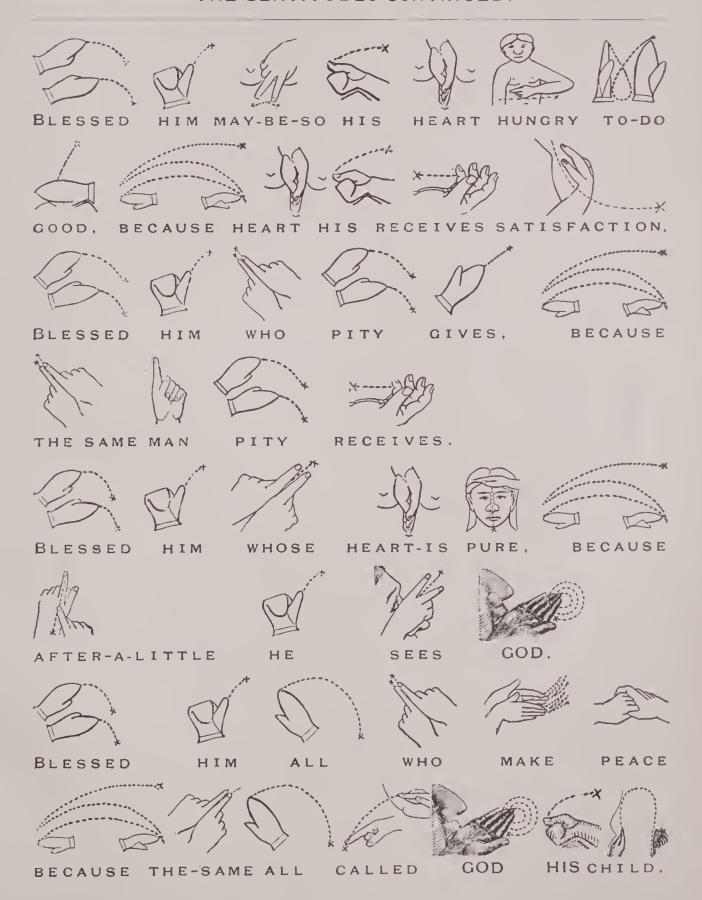


INHERITS.

THE-SAME THE-EARTH



THE BEATITUDES CONTINUED.





THE BEATITUDES CONCLUDED



FOR THE SAME YOU RECEIVE THE-KINGDOM OF-HEAVEN.



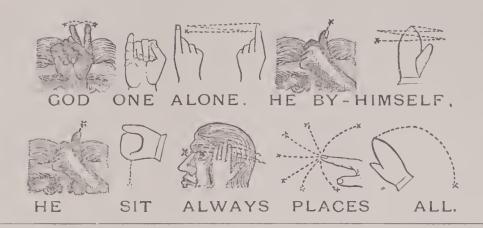




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TREATY

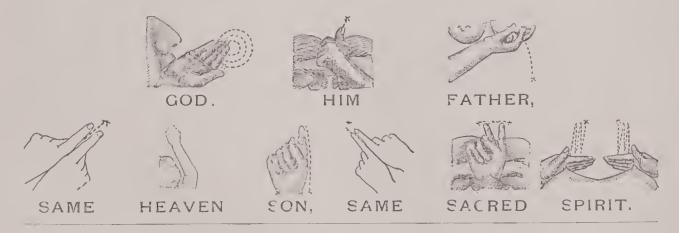
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S. 2,

TREATY

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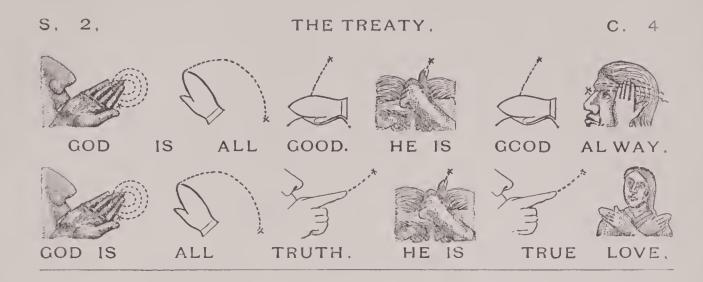
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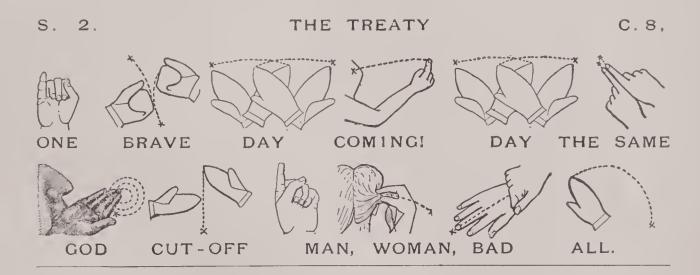


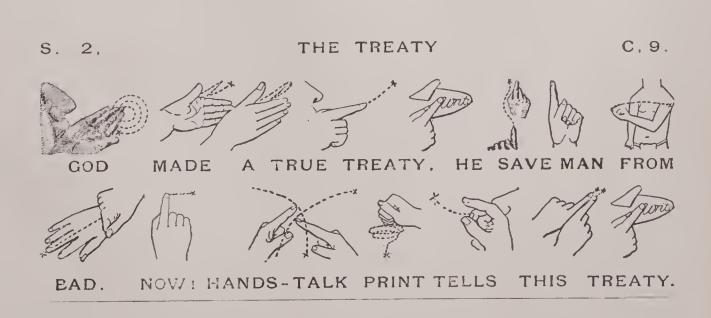














S. 2,

THE TREATY

C, 10,



GOOD, EXCHANGE MANTHE SAME, SPIRIT BAD LEAD WRONG,

S. 2,

THE TREATY

C, 11,







BLOOD TREATY MINE TRUE SAVING MAN FROM EVIL.

S, 21

THE TREATY

C. 14,



GOD HEAVEN FATHER, HEAVEN SCN, SACRED SPIRIT.



S, 2, THE TREATY

C, 15,



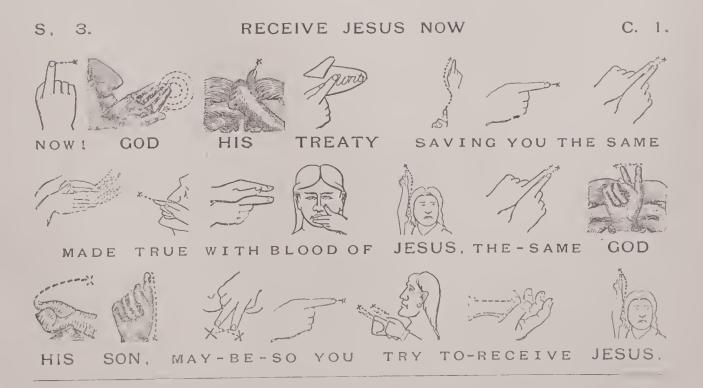
DAY THE SAME I GIVE HEART HIS HEAVEN LIFE.



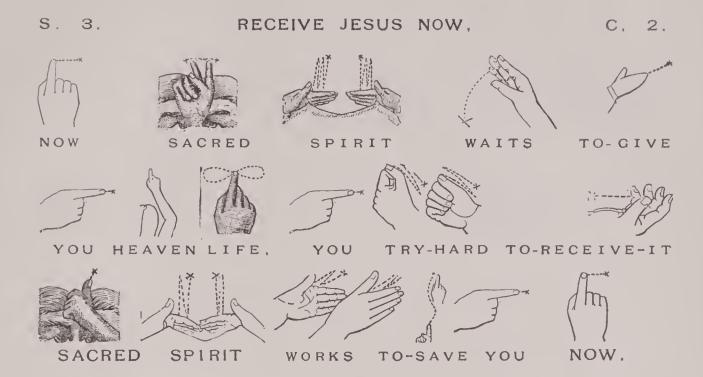
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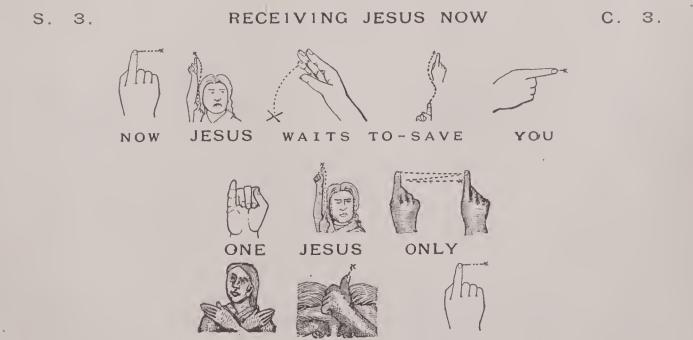
IF YOU RECEIVE JESUS. DAY THE-SAME

GOD WORKS STRONG TO SAVE YOU.





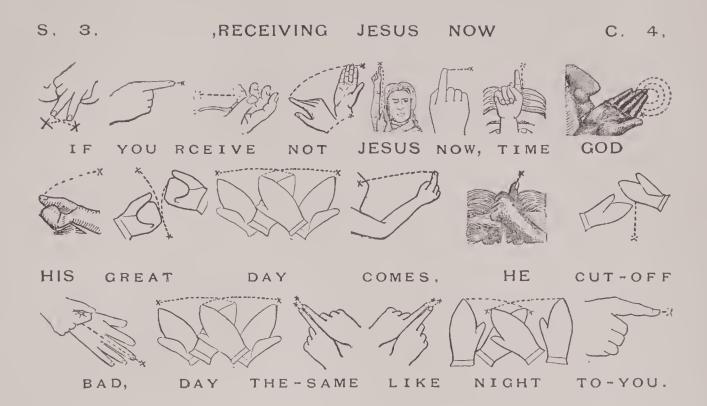


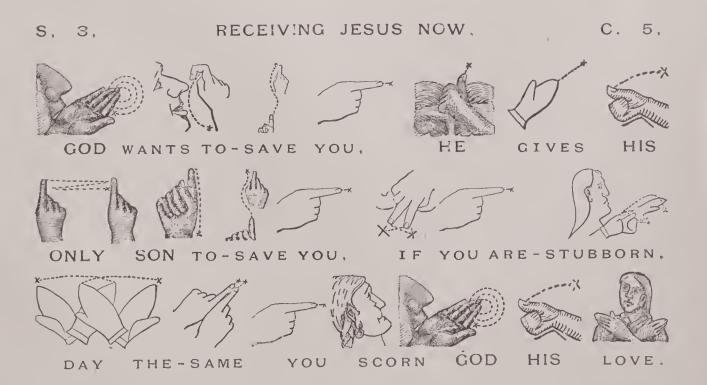


HIM

NOW.

LOVE







S. 3. RECEIVING JESUS NOW

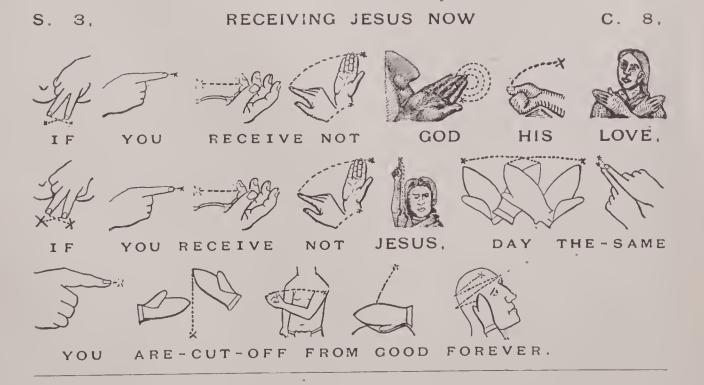
C, 7.

IF YOU SEPARATE FROM GOD HIS LOVE, SAME

DAY YOU RECEIVE SPIRIT-BAD, YOU-ARE LIKE MAN

HE GO-UNDER THE-SAME.

FIRE DO . HIM BAD,

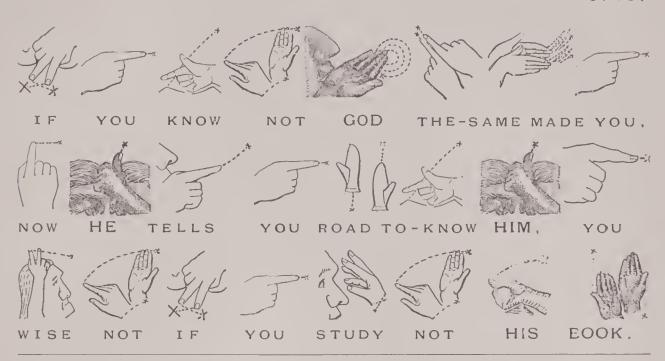


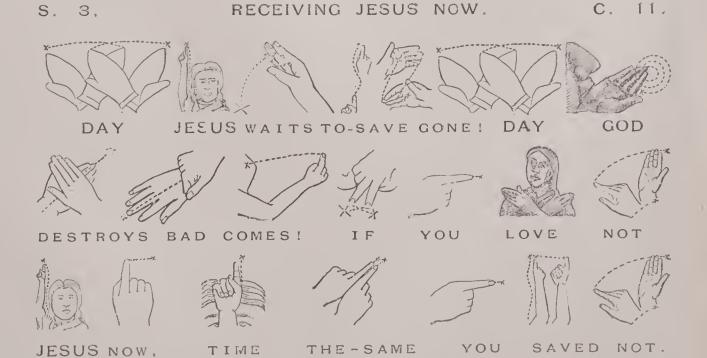


S. 3,

RECEIVING JESUS NOW

C. 10.







S. 3.

REEEIVE JESUS NOW

C. 12.



THE-BIBLE SAYS. JESUS SAYS: IF MAN ACCEPTS NOT JESUS



HE RECEIVES SPIRIT-BAD OPPOSING HIM SOON SAME



HAVE-SORROW, SAME-AS FIRE-BURN HIM BAD FOREVER'

JESUS SAID



THE-DAY IS-COMING ALL PEOPLE IN-GRAVES MUST



ARISE FRCM GRAVE; THCSE-WHQ HAVE-DONEGOOD REACH



HEAVEN LIFE; THOSE BAD COME-TO SORROW FOREVER.



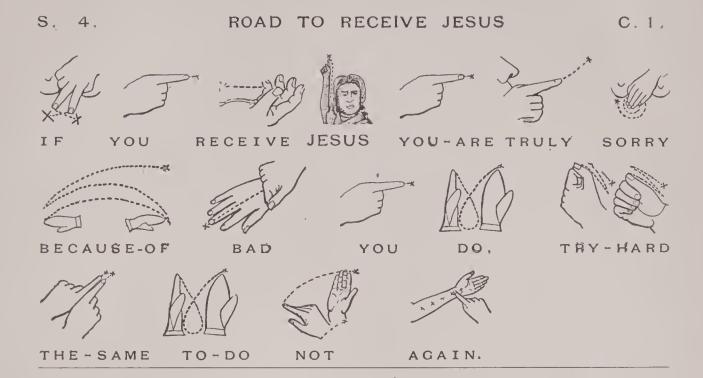
A DISTANT RELATION

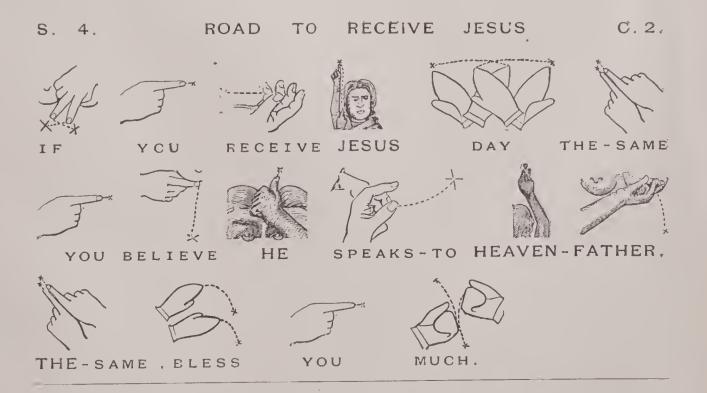
PRINTED CHARACTERS ARE REALLY PICTURES OF OBJECTS, AND AS SUCH CAN BE READ BY ALL EDUCATED CHINESE, AND SERVE AS A MEDIUM OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN MEN OF DIFFERENT PROVINCES
AND DIALECTS WHO COULD NOT POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND
THE SPOKEN LANGUAGE OF EACH OTHER.

FOR INSTANCE, A LAWSUIT IS ALWAYS REPRESENTED BY A PICTURE WHICH TO THE CHINESE MIND REPRESENTS TWO DOGS FIGHTING, AND ALL MEN UNDERSTAND THAT WRITTEN OR PRINTED CHARACTER FROM ONE END OF THE CELESTIAL EMPIRE TO THE OTHER, ALTHOUGH EACH MIGHT HAVE A DIFFERENT WORD OR PHRASE TO EXPRESS IT. THE SCRPTURES PRINTED IN THE ORDINARY CHINESE COULD IF CIRCULATED BE READ GENERALLY, ALTHOUGH THE MISSIONARY GOING FROM ONE PROVINCE TO ANOTHER COULD NOT PREACH SO AS TO BE UNDERSTOOD.

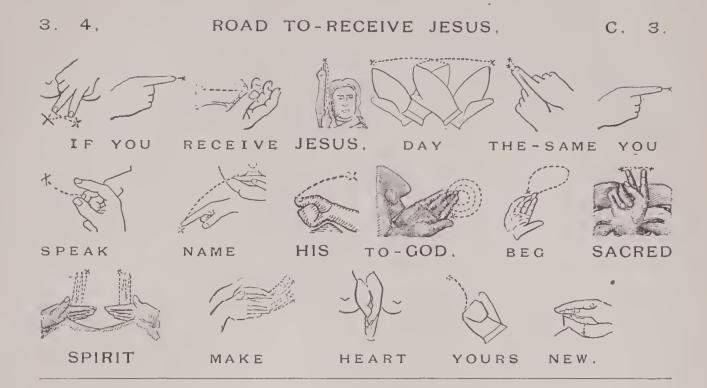
THIS ILLUSTRATES THE WAY IN WHICH THESE CARDS
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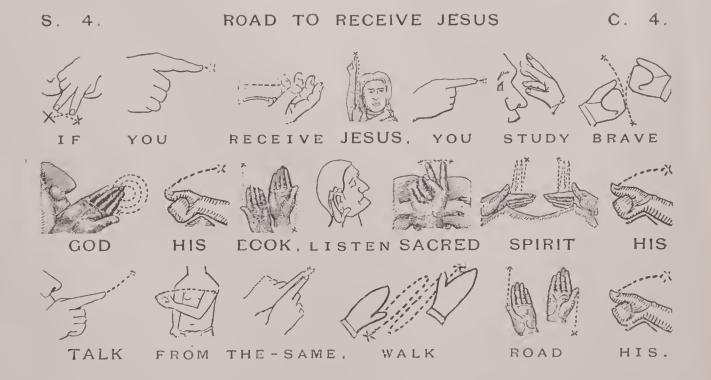












- 13 3 S. 4.

ROAD TO RECEIVE JESUS

c. 5.













IF MAN LOVES JESUS HE-IS FRIENDLY NOT WITH















THE-SAME MAKE JESUS HIS HEART SORRY, BAD,













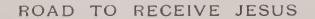
THE-SAME MAKE

JESUS

DIE SAVING

HIM.

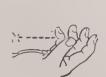
S. 4.



















MAN RECEIVES JESUS

HEART HIS PRAYS













ALWAYS, HE

WANTS SACRED SPIRIT TO-SPEAK-TO







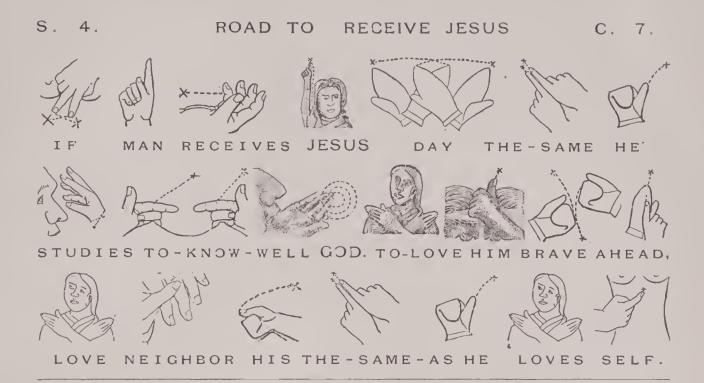


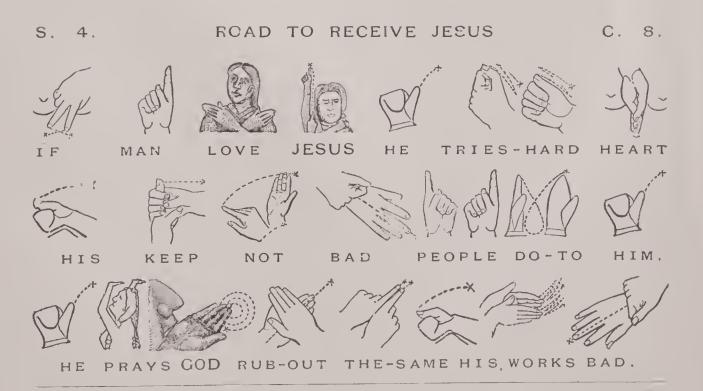
HEART HIS.

BRAIN

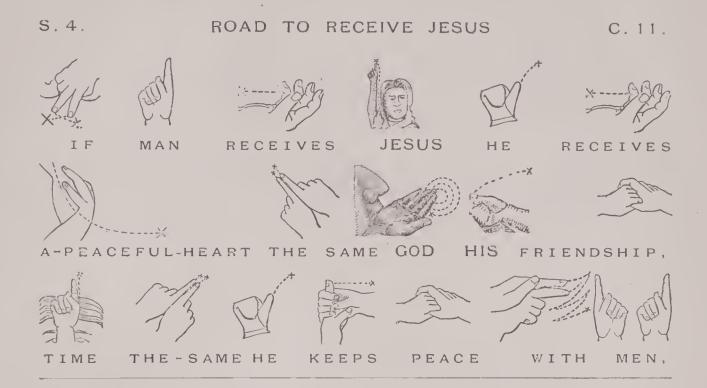
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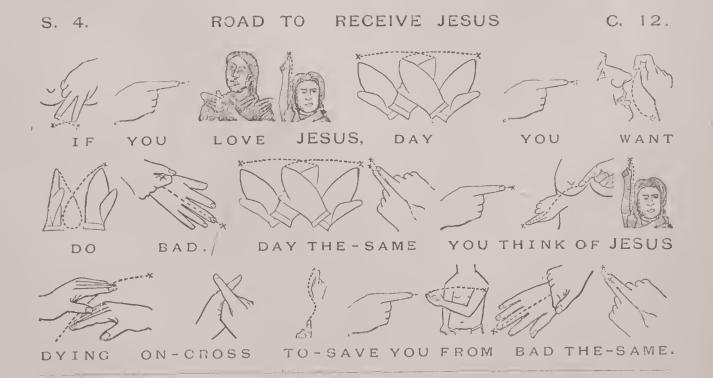










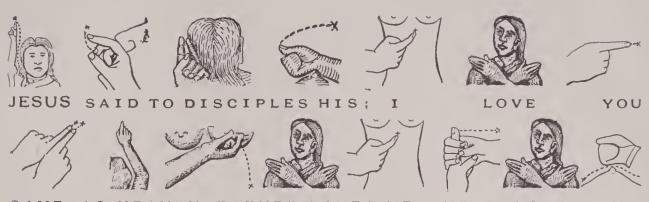




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JESUS SAID.

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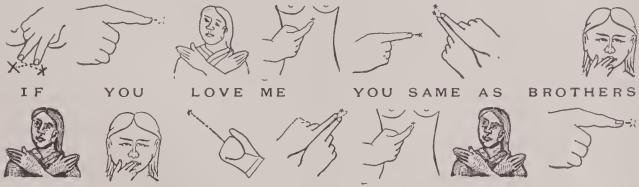


SAME-AS HEAVEN-FATHER LOVES ME, KEEP LOVE MINE.

S 05.

JESUS SAID.

C' 2,



BROTHER YOURS THE SAME AS LOVE I YOU,

S, 05.

JESUS SAID,

C, 3.



JESUS SAID TO DISCIPLESHIS: 1. DIE TO SAVE YOU



LOVE BRAVE! THE-SAME MAKE MAN DIE TO SAVE ANOTHER.



S, 05,

JESUS SAID.

C. 4.















JESUS TOLD DISCIPLES HIS: HE WHO OBEYS HEAVEN















FATHER MINE, THE SAME MOTHER MINE, BROTHER MINE.

S, 05,

JESUS SAID.

C 5,















JESUS SAID TO DISCIPLES: HEAVEN FATHER WANTS NOT













TO ABANDON ONE LITTLE CHILD THE SAME BELIEVE ME.

S 05.

JESUS SAID

C, 6,















JEUS

SAID: IF

YOU

LOVE FRIENDS MINE









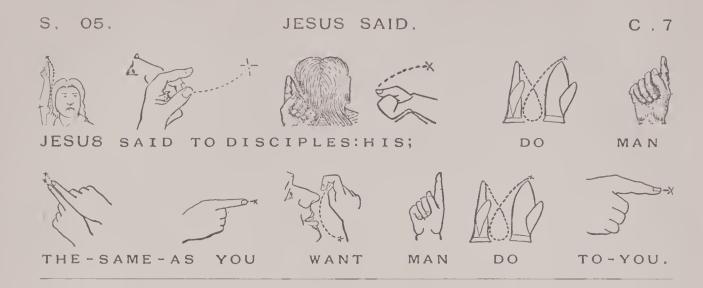


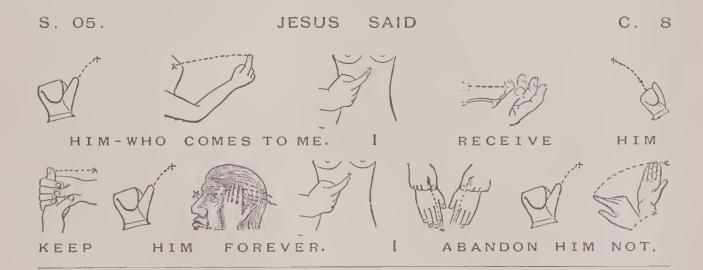


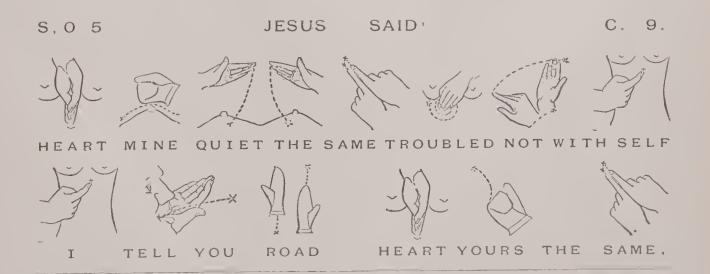


TIME THE SAME, ALL. MENKNOW YOU DISCIPLES MINE.











S. 05

JESUS SAID

C. 10.

HEAVEN FATHER YOURS KNOWS YOU WANT DRINK, WANT

FOOD, WANT CLOTHES. KEEP FAITH BRAVE IN-GOD.

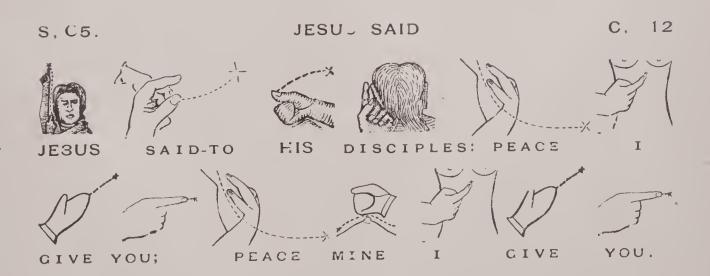
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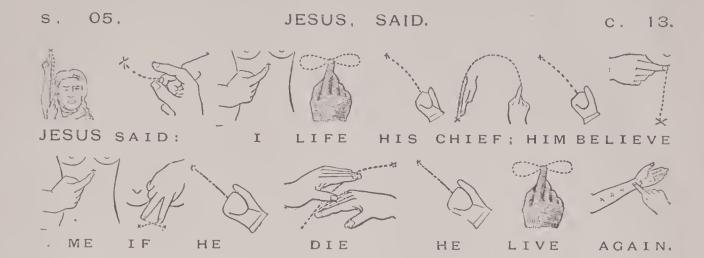
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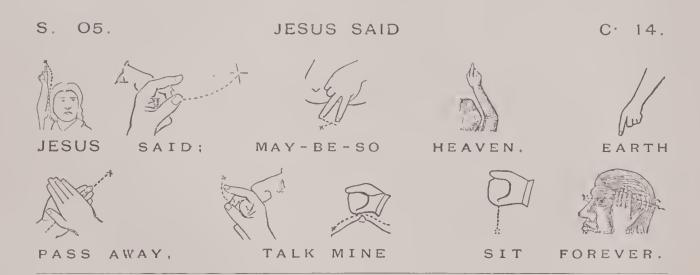
IF YOU RECEIVE GOD HIS KINGGOM AHEAD

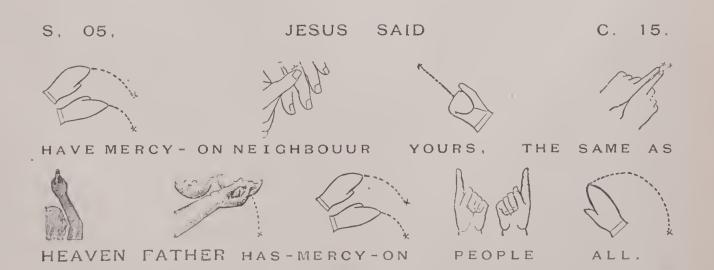
HE WILL-GIVE YOU ALL THESE THINGS.













S. 05,

JESUS SAID

C. 16



JESUS SAID; I GIVE DISCIPLES MINELIFE ETERNAL.



HIM PERISH NOT. MAN NONE CATCHHIM FROM ME.

S. 05.

JESUS SAID,

C, 17.



NEW NOW, MAN ENTERS NOT GOD HIS KINGDOM.

JESUS SAID, C. 18.

JESUS SAID; I AM THE ROAD, I AM THE TRUTH, I AM THE

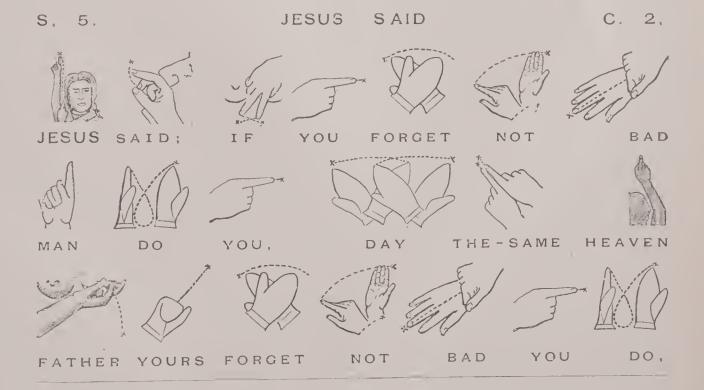
LIFE. I ALONE MAKE MAN COME TO HEAVEN FATHER.



JESUS SAID: LITTLE CHILDREN COME-TO-ME, STOP

THEM NOT, BECAUSE PEOPLE ALL BELONG TO-GOD

HIS KINGDOM, HEARTS THEIRS SAME-AS CHILD HIS HEART.





JESUS SAID: TRULY I SAY TO YOU, IF MAN RECEIVES

NOT GOO HIS KINGDOM







S. 5. JESUS SAID C. 4.



IF A-MAN MUST PART FROM BROTHER, SISTER, FATHER,



MOTHER, WIFE HIS, CHILD HIS, BECAUSE HE LOVES



ME, HE SHALL-RECEIVE GOOD THE-SAME MUCH AHEAD.

JESUS SAID

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WALK ROAD MINE HE WALKS-IN DARKNESS

NOT. HE HAS HEAVEN-LIGHT, THE-SAME HEAVEN LIFE.

S. 5,

JESUS SAID

C. 6.



JESUS SAID; NOW A-LITTLE TIME THE-LIGHT-IS WITH YOU



WALK STRAIGHT-ROAD NOW YOU HAVE HEAVEN-LIGHT. IF



DARKNESS COMES YOU SEE STRAIGHT ROAD NOT.



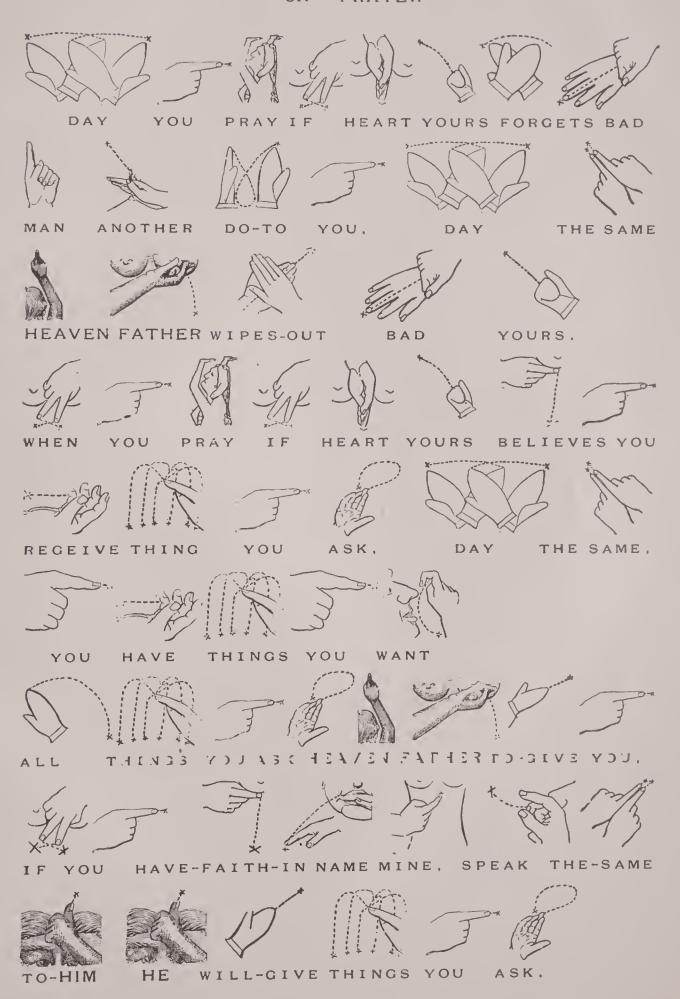




HEAVEN FATHER YOURS KNOWS-WELL THINGS YOU NEED.

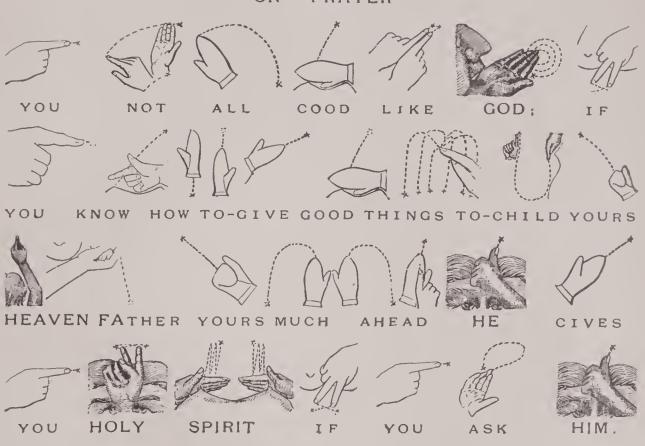


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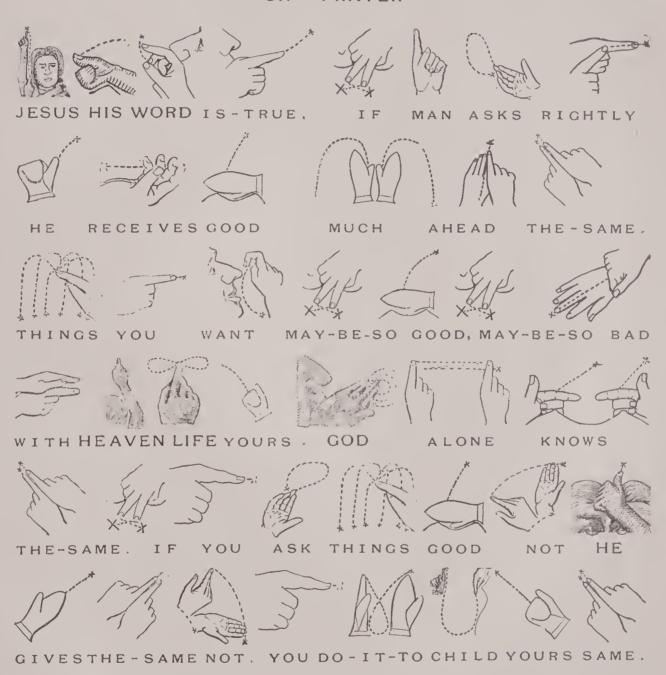




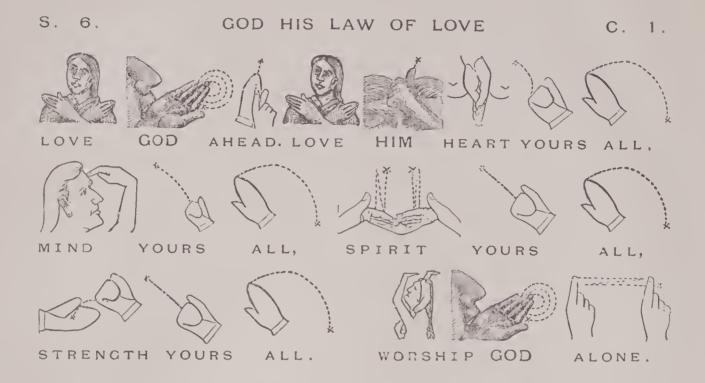
NOT ROAD MINE, PRAYERHIS SAME I-LISTEN-TO NOT.

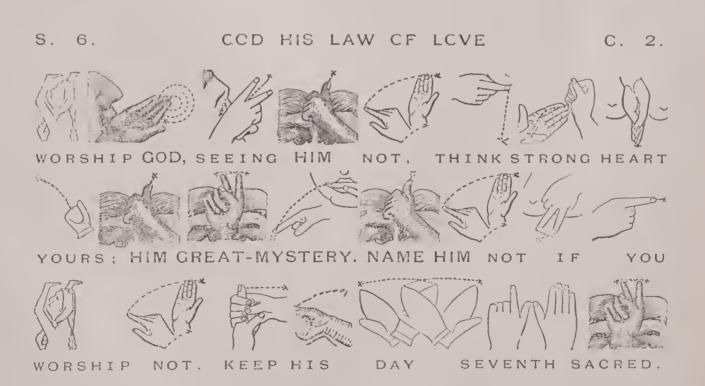


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GOD HIS LAW OF LOVE.

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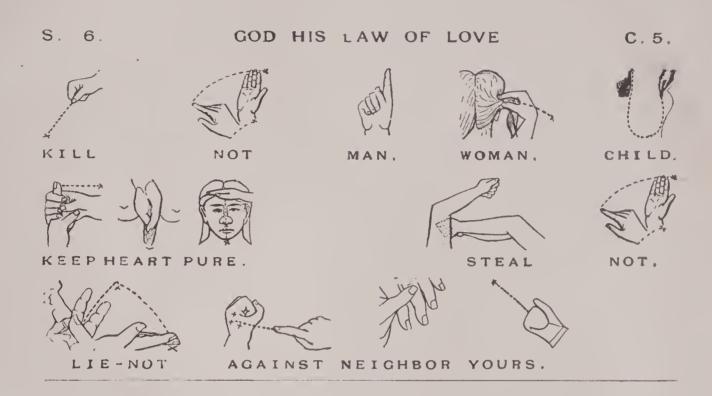
LOVE NEIGHBOR YOURS SAME- AS YOU LOVE YOURSELF.

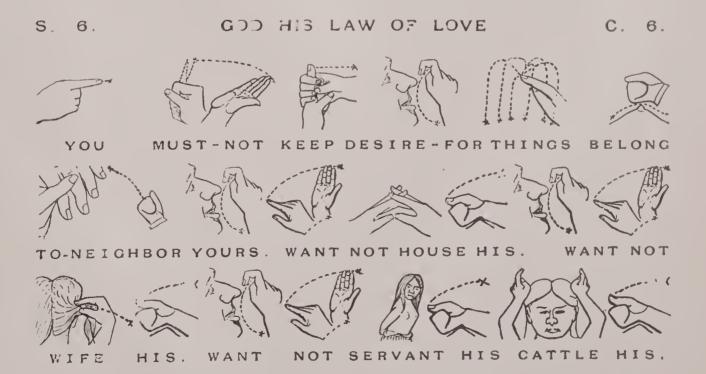


HONOR FATHER, MOTHER, YQURS. THIS GIVES

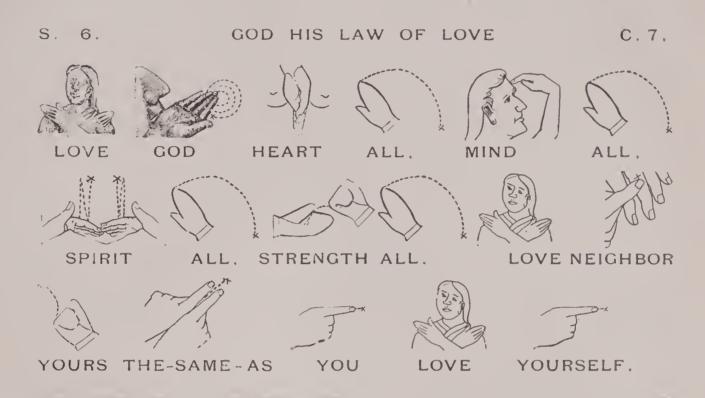
YOU LIFE A LONG-TIME -THE-EARTH. TO-SIT.



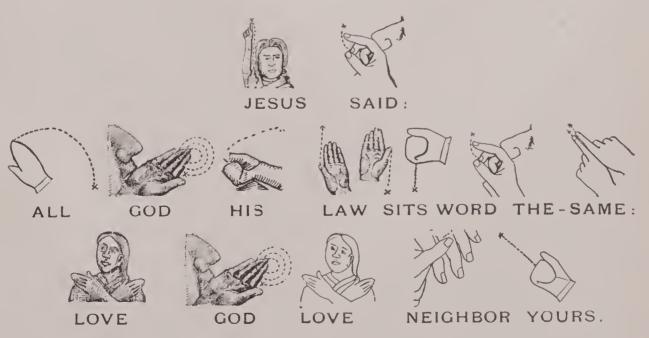






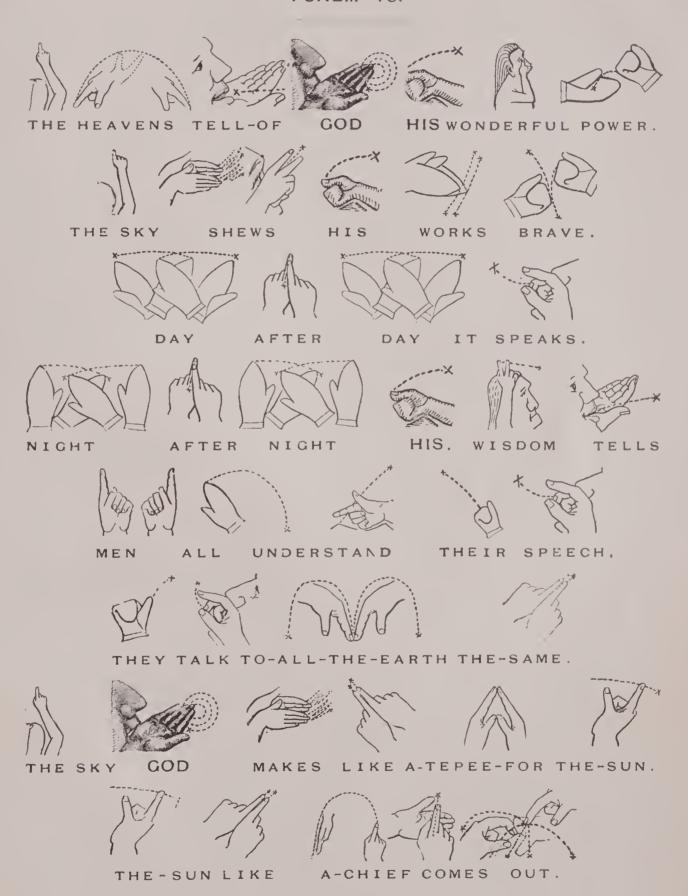


S. 6. GOD HIS LAW OF LOVE. C.8.





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THE-SAME IS-AS LIGHT TO-THE-EYES.

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IF MANFEARS GOD HIS ANGER



HE KEEPS HEART PURE ALWAYS.



GOD HIS JUDGEMENTS-ARE ALL RIGHT AND-TRUE.



YOU WANT MUCH TO RECEIVE THE-SAME.



YOU WANT TO-POSSESS THEM MORE-THAN GOLD.



MORE-THAN MUCH FINE GOLD.



THE-SAME MORE GOOD-THAN FOOD TO-TASTE.



THEY WARN CROOKED-ROAD DANGEROUS,



PSALM / 91 CONCLUDED. IN-KEEPING THEM IS BLESSING BRAVE, WHO CAN KNOW FAULTS OF-HIS HEART GOD CLEAN SECRET THOUGHTMINE. MAKE FROM PRESUMPTUOUS SINS. ME STOP THEIR POWER WITH ME. WALK THE-RIGHT-ROAD. DAY THE-SAME THE SAME DAY I-AM FREE-FROM SIN MAKE WORDS, THOUGHTS. HEART MINECLEAN IN-THY SIGHT.

STRENGH MINE. SALVATION MINE.

O-GOD

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